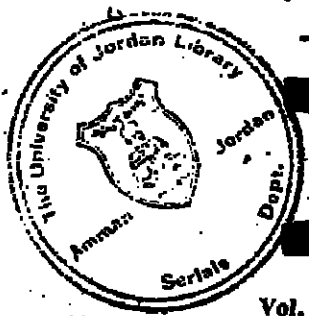




Israel's stand: U.S. switch from pique to caress

By WOLF BLITZER

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — The Reagan administration, as part of an effort to reassure Israel about U.S. intentions in promoting Arab-Israeli peace negotiations, has publicly pledged to coordinate all moves with Israel and other U.S. friends in the region.

On Thursday, the State Department underlined its irritation with Israel's speedy rejection of a list of Palestinian candidates to participate in a joint delegation with Jordan. The department noted pointedly that Israel does not have a veto over U.S. policy. "This is not the way we proceed," the department's acting spokesman, Robert Smalley, had said.

But on Friday, the tone of Smalley's briefing had changed. There was no further talk of any "veto power." Instead, Smalley and other U.S. officials sought to reassure Israel.

"We are not talking about an adversarial relationship," he said. "This has no place in our ties to our friends."

Smalley said the U.S. "will be consulting with Israel and our other friends in the region as we make our decisions regarding the peace process."

Still, the spokesman noted that the U.S., in the end, will have to make up its own mind about a meeting with a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation.

"Let me just say that we have a relationship of mutual trust and confidence with Israel which is mutually profitable on a wide range of issues," he said on Friday.

Secretary of State George Shultz,

TDF gunboat fired at militia near Sidon

SIDON (Reuters). — An Israeli gunboat wounded two Moslem fighters when it opened fire on a "People's Liberation Army" (PLA) militia checkpoint just north of here yesterday, Lebanese security sources said.

They said the boat had fired at a PLA position on the Awali River bridge for 10 minutes. No further details were available.



Ultra-Orthodox "Shabbos Rockers" attack cars using Rehov Yam Suf in Jerusalem's Ramat Eshkol quarter yesterday. One car had its window smashed, but no one was reported hurt. (Landau)

Man knifes children at bus stop

By ROBERT ROSENBERG

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Jerusalem police will today ask the magistrate's court to remand in custody a 22-year-old student of a Najati University in Nablus who was caught by passersby Friday morning after he had slashed the faces of five children and a youth counselor at a

downtown bus stop.

The man's motives have yet to be clarified by investigators, police sources said. They said that both terror and insanity are being checked.

It was reported last night that police believed the man may have acted on a momentary impulse, after being

pushed, perhaps by one of the youth leaders, at the bus stop.

All six injured children were released almost immediately from Rikur Holim Hospital after first-aid treatment. Most were wounded in the face, but doctors said the razor cuts were superficial.

The children, part of a summer camp group of about 50 from the Musara neighbourhood, were on their way to a swimming pool by bus together with their leaders.

As they waited for their bus on Jaffa Road near Zion Square, the man suddenly turned on one of the children, and, producing a barber's razor, sliced the child's face. As the children screamed and ran, the man whirled, striking at anybody within reach.

As soon as the group had dispersed in a panic, the man began to run toward Zion Square, with half-a-dozen passersby giving chase. Meanwhile, police from the nearby Russian Compound headquarters arrived on the scene, and also joined in the brief chase.

The man was apprehended but police, led by Superintendent Yehoram Kayam, then had to prevent a mob from tearing him to pieces.

Summer camp organizer Rafi Marciano — younger brother of former Black Panther leader and Sheli MK Sa'adia Marciano — said after the incident that it would not interfere with the camp's plans to teach the children of Musara that peace and coexistence between Jews and Arabs are both possible and necessary in Jerusalem.



One of the victims receives hospital treatment. (Harari)

Leak may endanger Israel-Soviet accord

By MICHAEL EILAN

Post Diplomatic Reporter
The leaked report of a meeting between the Israeli and Soviet ambassadors in Paris last week could jeopardize a carefully engineered process possibly leading to a rapprochement with the Soviet Union including freer immigration of Russian Jews to Israel, a source involved in the process said last night.

The timing of the leak was especially unfortunate because the new leadership in Moscow is still in a period of consolidation. Mikhail Gorbachev, the new Soviet leader, may see the leak as a sign of a political weakness which would make the Israelis untrustworthy bargaining partners, the source indicated.

The official Tass news agency in Moscow issued a strong denial of the radio report. Tass said: "The Israel Radio fabrications about a mythical proposal that has allegedly been conveyed by the USSR's ambassador to France to Israel's ambassador to Paris, just as the pronouncements ascribed to the Soviet ambassador, are totally groundless." The report did not deny that the meeting had taken place.

The leak, reported by Israel radio staffer Shimon Shiffer, alleged that in the meeting between Israeli ambassador Ovadia Sofer and Soviet ambassador Yuli Voronitsov, the Russian had offered a deal which would allow a large number of Soviet Jews to leave the Soviet Union for Israel (and not other countries) in return for Israeli flexibility in negotiations over the Golan Heights and cessation of anti-Soviet propaganda. The radio report added that according to Sofer's report of the conversation with Voronitsov, the Soviet envoy had said he hoped to succeed Soviet ambassador to Washington Anatoly Dobrynin.

Several reliable sources said last night that details such as Voronitsov's alleged revelation of his ambition made the radio report suspect. Western diplomatic sources acquainted with Soviet procedure said the third-hand report of Voronitsov's conversation sounded entirely out of character for the vast majority of Soviet envoys.

The Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem, for its part, issued a laconic statement saying that "meetings between Israeli and Soviet diplomats have been taking place for some time," without confirming that the Paris meeting last Wednesday had

taken place. But several sources did confirm this, saying, however, that the report that Sofer had sent back to Jerusalem was far more muted in tone than the radio report.

The cabinet is scheduled to discuss the issue in its meeting this morning. Many ministers are expected to demand an investigation into who leaked the report to the radio.

Much of the discussion in the cabinet is expected to be devoted to recriminations about the leak; but that dealing with how to repair any damage done by the radio report will probably be discussed in the Ministerial Defence Committee that is subject to military censorship.

Sources involved in the process of Israeli-Russian rapprochement said they still have good reason to hope that there will be eventually some breakthrough in relations with the Soviet Union.

Other sources indicated that renewing full diplomatic relations between Israel and Russia was not necessarily in the interest of either side.

The Soviet Union started to allow large numbers of Jews to leave the Soviet Union only after diplomatic relations were severed following the Six Day War in 1967. The Soviet (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

Ministry angry at envoy's report on meeting

By DAVID LANDAU

Post Diplomatic Correspondent
The Foreign Ministry is angry at Ambassador Ovadia Sofer for not having classified his cable from Paris "top secret."

Ministry sources said Sofer gave the cable only a regular level of secrecy — and as a result it was disseminated to a relatively large number of aides and officials.

The sources said that while Sofer was not suspected of having leaked the cable himself, the wide distribution — which was the automatic result of his low classification decision — had "virtually invited a leak."

These sources described Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Director-General David Kimche as "shattered" on Friday when the cable was broadcast on Israel Radio.

Gideon Rafael, retired director-general of the Foreign Ministry, told The Jerusalem Post that Soviet ambassadors "may have various

traits that are not so endearing. But they're not charlatans. They are the most disciplined and highly trained diplomatic corps in the world."

Meanwhile, a veteran Israeli diplomat with long experience of Soviet contacts has cast serious doubts about the accuracy of Ambassador Ovadia Sofer's cable account of his meeting with Soviet Ambassador Yuli Voronitsov in Paris.

There were four "improbabilities," Rafael said, in Sofer's account of the conversation as reported by Israel Radio: A Soviet ambassador would not criticize his own country's foreign policy (the break with Israel in 1967) as "mistaken" and "emotional" — especially as the architect of that policy, Andrei Gromyko, has not been ousted but rather has been promoted to the state presidency.

A Soviet ambassador would not disclose the likelihood of his immi-

nent departure from Paris, just weeks before the new leader, Mikhail Gorbachev, is due to pay an official visit to the French capital. Nor would a Soviet ambassador speculate about the possible replacement of Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin in Washington only months before the Gorbachev-Reagan summit.

A Soviet ambassador would not speak in terms of a "package deal". The invariable term used in Soviet diplomacy is "reciprocity."

A Soviet ambassador would not explicitly agree, when challenged, that he had omitted to mention the Palestinian issue deliberately in his presentation on Soviet-Israeli problems.

Rafael implied that Sofer may have, perhaps unconsciously, attributed to his interlocutor remarks that he himself had made during the conversation.

Haifa Bayside children to get hepatitis shots

By DAVID RUDGE

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Health Ministry is to begin a mass immunization programme today to immunize children against infectious hepatitis following the dysentery outbreak in the Bayside suburbs here.

The ministry intends to inoculate all children between the ages of five and 10 from the townships which

were supplied with contaminated water.

These are Kiryat Yam, Kiryat Motzkin, Kiryat Bialik, Western Kiryat Haim, Kiryat Shmuel and Tsur Shalom.

The ministry spokesman said family clinics would be open today, tomorrow and Tuesday from eight in the morning until six in the evening,

non-stop. Parents are asked to bring their children's inoculation cards with them.

The spokesman added that the dysentery outbreak itself was on the decline and only a few new cases had been reported over the weekend.

Meanwhile the ministry has lodged a formal complaint with the Broadcasting Authority over what it maintains was Israel TV's refusal to

broadcast an official warning on its main 9 o'clock news last Sunday.

The ministry said a prompt broadcast of the warning to the Bayside residents — to boil all drinking water before use — might well have prevented many children from getting sick. The warning was broadcast on the late news bulletin, when many people would not have seen it, the ministry alleged.

Anti-apartheid riots spread South Africa declares state of emergency

JOHANNESBURG. — President P.W. Botha declared a state of emergency yesterday in 36 riot-torn cities and towns, giving police broad powers to quell unrest. It is the first emergency proclaimed since the Sharpeville massacre in 1960, when police shot 69 anti-apartheid protesters.

The declaration empowers police to make arrests without warrants and impose curfews and detain sus-

pects indefinitely for interrogation. It is aimed at curbing growing anti-apartheid rioting that has left more than 450 blacks dead in 10 months.

At a funeral for four black riot victims in Dudduza, a township east of Johannesburg, a mob of blacks stoned and beat to death a black woman suspected of being a police informer, witnesses said. Then the mob piled grass and twigs on the body and set it on fire — almost a

ritual in crowd killings of suspected "collaborators."

Twice in recent weeks, clerics including Nobel Peace laureate Bishop Desmond Tutu have rescued suspected informers from angry crowds at funerals.

"This state of affairs can no longer be tolerated," Botha said earlier in Pretoria. "I wish to issue a warning that strict action will be taken against

those persons and institutions that cause or propagate disruption."

Political analysts blame the riots on a variety of grievances, including economic depression, restrictions imposed by apartheid, and a new constitution which gives Indians and mixed-race coloureds a say in central government but excludes the black majority.

(AP, Reuters)

Reagan, eager to work, quits hospital after operation

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — President Reagan, saying he felt great but restless to get back to work, left hospital yesterday after a one-week stay following major surgery for the removal of a cancerous tumour.

"I'm feeling great, but I'm feeling a little restless," Reagan said in his weekly radio address shortly before

leaving Bethesda Naval Medical Centre by helicopter for a 20-minute ride to the White House.

Reagan, at 74 the oldest president in U.S. history, said he was eager to get back to work, particularly to help resolve the U.S. budget stalemate in Congress.

The White House said on Friday

that Reagan was to return to the White House by motorcade. But at the last minute yesterday the White House decided a helicopter was best. No explanation for the change was offered.

"I'm eager to get back to work," said Reagan, speaking in a hoarse voice. The president is due to meet

Chinese President Li Xianmin at the White House on Tuesday.

As he left hospital holding hands with his wife Nancy, Reagan was cheered by scores of naval officers and sailors.

He then flew to the White House, where he was greeted by prominent administration officials.

Acting premier tells 'Post': Finland never weighed cutting ties with Israel

By ARI RATH

HELSINKI. — Finland never considered breaking diplomatic relations with Israel over last month's incident in south Lebanon in which 21 Finnish UN soldiers were held prisoners by the South Lebanon Army for eight days. Had the situation continued, however, the recalling of Finland's ambassador in Israel for consultations was a serious option for the Helsinki government.

This was stated Thursday to The Jerusalem Post in a special interview by Finland's acting Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Paavo Vayrynen.

He expressed the hope that de-

spite this unfortunate incident, bilateral relations would be improved, particularly in the areas of culture, tourism and trade.

Asked how last month's incident would affect Finland's future involvement in UN peace-keeping forces in the Middle East, particularly with regard to Unifil, Vayrynen said: "There is no reason to start drawing new conclusions on the basis of the hostage incident only."

But in his view, the hostage incident and the death this week of a Finnish UN soldier, underline increasingly difficult conditions. This situation is being carefully followed

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As women's conference ends Israeli delegate says apartheid is anti-Semitic

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP). — An Israeli delegate on Friday condemned South Africa's apartheid policy as abhorrent and anti-Semitic as the UN Decade for Women conference debated resolutions equating Zionism with racism.

At the Nairobi University campus, dozens of women from all over the world staged an anti-Israeli demonstration, waving placards saying "Down with Zionism."

A larger group protesting apartheid — South Africa's legalized race segregation system — rallied at the university after police refused to allow a march downtown. The protesters were led in a song by black

nationalists from the African National Congress and the South West African People's Organization.

Since a failed coup in 1982, public political demonstrations cannot be held in Kenya without police permission.

At the UN conference, the Netherlands delegation became the first country, after four days' debate, to speak in strong support of lesbians.

And a militant women's group Friday sent a petition to Kenya's government appealing for the release of prostitutes who, the group

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Haifa Port	27-23	27-23	38
Tiberias	21-14	21-14	33
Nazareth	36-24	36-24	33
Afula	31-20	31-20	34
Shomron	33-23	33-23	32
Tel Aviv	72-29	72-29	29
B-G Airport	62-28	62-28	31
Jericho	21-20	21-20	39
Gaza	24-20	24-20	28
Beersheba	39-16	39-16	33
Eilat	18-23	18-23	34

ARRIVALS

Samuel N. Rabinowitz of Philadelphia, a partner in the law firm of Blank, Rome, Connolly & McCauley and Chairman of the Mid-Atlantic Region of Boys Town Jerusalem.

Sharon adviser, Bar-On, buried

BE'ER TUVIA (Idm). - Tat-Aluf (res.) Ori Bar-On, fatally injured in a car accident last Thursday, was buried in a military funeral Friday in the cemetery at this moshav, near Ashkelon. He was 60 years old.

Thousands, including ministers Yitzhak Rabin, Ariel Sharon, Arye Nehamkin, and Moshe Arens and other MKs, attended the funeral.

Since 1977, Bar-On served as adviser to Ariel Sharon mainly handling affairs of the West Bank settlements.

He is survived by his wife, three children, and grandchildren. One of his sons was killed in a car accident in Sinai nine years ago.

Author of 'man who never was' hoax dies

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. - Ewen Montague, a leading member of British Jewry and author of the famous "Man who Never Was" intelligence hoax during World War Two, died here on Friday aged 84.

A prominent lawyer, who held several official posts in the Jewish community, including the presidency of the United Synagogue from 1954 to 1962, Montague is best remembered for the wartime hoax. This involved arranging for a body, purportedly that of a British officer, to be washed ashore in Spain carrying false military plans designed to divert German attention from Allied plans to invade Sicily.

The story was the subject of a best-selling book and movie, "The Man who Never Was," and the exploit earned Montague a CBE.

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HOME NEWS

No agreement on public sector firings Histadrut, government on collision course

By ROY ISACOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The government and the trade unions are again on a confrontation course. With the negotiations over public sector dismissals and wages at an impasse, the intervention of Prime Minister Shimon Peres appears to be the only way of avoiding labour disruptions by mid-week.

Peres, Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i and Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar are due to meet today in an effort to reach a compromise.

A spokesman for the prime minister yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* that there was still no official confirmation of the meeting, but said that it would probably take place. He added that the trio would meet tomorrow if the meeting does not take place today.

Meanwhile, the Histadrut central committee will meet this morning to review the lack of progress in the negotiations. In the afternoon, the strike committee under the chairmanship of Trade Union Department Chairman Haim Haberfeld is due to consider its next steps.

Within the next two days, the governing bodies of the Civil Service Union and the Clerical Workers Union, the two largest public sector unions, are due to meet to draw up plans of action.

On Friday, Clerical Union head Eliahu Reiff and Civil Service Union head Reuven Ben-Ami announced that they were suspending their participation in the talks with the Treasury, due to what they said was the Treasury's refusal to consider their proposals.

Speaking after an emergency meeting of the secretariats of the two unions, Reiff and Ben-Ami also called for the resignation of Moda'i. Statements made by Moda'i last Thursday - such as his charge that one-quarter of public sector employees do not work - have increased unrest in the sector and made Moda'i incapable of being part of a solution, Ben-Ami said.

Employers' head:

No place in industry for all dismissed gov't workers

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Industry will not be able to absorb all the dismissed public sector workers, and will fire its own workers as a result of government budget cuts, Industrialists' Association President Eli Hurvitz told Israel radio on Friday evening.

"There is a demand for certain types of workers in industry, as you can see from newspaper ads," he said. "But if 3 per cent of the civil service work force is fired, we will not be able to employ all those people."

Cuts in government spending mean fewer orders for industry, he said, thus firms will have to fire workers, as is already happening in the electronics industry, he added.

The industrialists have reservations about the economic programme, he said, but they have decided to express them in closed sessions rather than in public for fear of weakening the government and destroying the programme's chances of success.

The talks between the Treasury and the trade unions broke up in deadlock on Thursday. After more than two weeks of talks, the sides have failed to agree on how to go about thinning out the public sector work force, with the unionists accusing the Treasury of refusing to consider their proposals for avoiding large-scale dismissals.

The major point of disagreement is the Treasury's refusal to revise the payments "work expenses," such as clothing and transport. The unions maintain that these payments must be increased to keep up with inflation, as provided for in the framework labour agreements.

The Treasury's refusal to increase the payments means, in effect, that the government's emergency decrees are in force, despite an undertaking by Peres that they would be suspended, the unions say.

Another issue that has yet to be clarified is whether public sector workers will receive a 14 per cent wage supplement with their next salaries. The supplement was decided on last week in an agreement between the Histadrut and the private sector employers. But Moda'i has so far refrained from signing an order extending the agreement to the public sector.

The issue will have to be decided by Wednesday, when the government computers begin processing data for next month's wage payments.

No dates have been set for further meetings between the Treasury and the trade unionists. Histadrut sources said last night that there appeared to be little option but for Peres to step in and attempt to resolve the disputes. Failing that, they said, work slowdowns, stoppages and wildcat strikes could begin by mid-week.

Haberfeld said on Friday that the Histadrut expected every employer to pay the wage supplement with next month's salary. Any employer, in either the public or the private sector, refusing to pay will receive an "active response" from the Histadrut and the workers, he warned.



Rami Zayit (left), deputy head of the Kiryat Arba local council and a member of the local Kach-affiliated list, and council head Shalom Wach, whose list won one-third of the votes in this month's election.



Kiryat Arba council to fire Arabs and hire only Jews

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The Kiryat Arba local council, the first in which Kach representatives are part of the controlling coalition, is to fire all the town's Arab employees, press institutions it supports to engage only contractors who hire Jews exclusively, and work for total Sabbath observance.

An agreement to this effect was concluded on Friday afternoon between Shalom Wach, head of the outgoing local council who won a third of the mandates in this month's elections, and a list affiliated with Rabbi Meir Kahane's Kach movement, which gave Wach the necessary majority for another term in office. The new council is to be installed on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Wach told *The Jerusalem Post* that the deal has however aroused sharp criticism among some Knesset members, with MK Haim Ramon (Labour) demanding that the incoming minister disband the council and MK Mordechai Virshupski (Shinui) insisting that the government stop all financial aid to it.

Communications Minister Amnon Rubinstein (Shinui) is to ask Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin to use his powers to disperse the council, and Peace Now has called for government sanctions against the newly formed "racist" body in a cable to Prime Minister Peres yesterday evening.

Wach said the decision to fire the Arab employees was taken because the Interior Ministry had ordered the council to cut its staff "and we agree that Jews must be given preference when it comes to employment."

There are 17 unemployed Jews living in Kiryat Arba. It was not clear how many Arabs will be affected. Wach said he believed eight or nine were employed by the council as gardeners and one, a cook, works at a school the council supports.

He denied reports that signs will be put up in the town instructing people to refrain from driving during the Sabbath, but said the two lists will seek to increase "awareness" of Jewish values. He added that the two lists "understand" an effort must be made to stop cars from travelling through the township on Saturdays and holidays, but that will be done by "convincing" people to refrain from doing so.

Interim police report says:

Photographer's version of beating not 100% accurate

Jerusalem press photographer Rahamin Israeli's version of how he was beaten by policemen earlier this month is not completely accurate, according to an interim report submitted to the police inspector general over the weekend, by a police investigating team.

Based on the testimony of dozens of witnesses, the report concedes that force was used against Israeli. But it says it is unclear whether he was beaten, or whether he was "pushed" and "dragged."

The bruises Israeli suffered were caused by the strong grip police used to arrest him, the investigators believe. The report said that while he was being held at the Yarkon police station, Israeli "acted strangely."

Prior to the incident involving Israeli, Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev was given the names of 14 policemen, including one officer, who had been convicted at least three times of using violence. Bar-Lev has met with four of them and plans to meet the others to learn why they used excessive force.

The police force is considering firing policemen found guilty of unjustifiable violence on numerous occasions. (Itm)

LEAK ENDANGERS

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Union, for its part, would be interested in warming relations with Israel only up to a point which would demonstrate to the Arab countries how much they stand to lose. Full renewal of diplomatic relations would deprive the Russians of an extra threat to hold over the Arabs.

The *Jerusalem Post's* Washington Correspondent Wolf Blitzer quotes authoritative U.S. sources as saying that the Soviet Union is likely to continue improving its diplomatic dialogue with Israel without necessarily renewing full relations.

Israel started to respond publicly to indications of a Soviet willingness to improve relations when Prime Minister Shimon Peres, while presenting his five-point peace plan on June 10, said Israel would want to enlist the support of permanent members of the Security Council (including the Soviet Union) for a dialogue between Israel and a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation.

Peres repeated this offer in more explicit terms last Tuesday, when he offered the Russians a role in Middle East peacekeeping in return for the restoration of full diplomatic relations.

The next official open contact between Israel and the Soviets is due to take place in mid-September at the start of the UN General Assembly. For the last two years, the Israeli foreign minister has met with former Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko during the time of the Assembly. If Gromyko's successor, Eduard Shevardnadze agrees to meet Shamir, it will be an indication that the Soviets still have hopes of continuing the dialogue.

Meetings between Soviet and Israeli officials will continue, but do not necessarily mean that diplomatic relations will be resumed, Soviet journalist Victor Lewis told Israel radio yesterday. He and four Israeli officials whose views were broadcast on the programme had all been interviewed (separately) before the official Soviet denial of the meeting between the Israeli and Soviet ambassadors in Paris.

"The meeting on the ambassadorial level was a big sensation among western diplomats here, but Soviet diplomats have reacted far more calmly," Victor Lewis said. "These occasional consultations are related to the summit meetings with President Mitterrand and President Reagan, where the Middle East will surely be on the agenda... Former foreign minister Gromyko met with your foreign ministers in the past, so why shouldn't there be a meeting between our new foreign minister and his Israeli counterpart? That doesn't mean diplomatic relations, or any other particular issue, will necessarily be discussed."

Beirut fighting continues

BEIRUT (AP). - Christian and Muslim gunmen fought artillery duels across the Green Line dividing Beirut yesterday, the fifth day of a Syrian-sponsored security plan aimed at ending 10 years of civil war.

Houses and apartment blocks on either side of the 5km. line were hit in the fighting, the worst since the security plan for West Beirut was implemented last Tuesday.

The security plan for West Beirut was endorsed early this month by 13 Muslim leaders, and including those of three feuding Muslim militias. But Christian soldiers and militias who control East Beirut, the seat of the Christian-dominated government, were not immediately included.

Syria last week dispatched six army officers to help supervise the West Beirut ceasefire, hailed as a success by newspapers representing the three feuding factions. At least 29 more officers are due shortly from Syria, powerbroker among most warring militias in the civil war.

Backstage talks encouraged by Syria have so far failed to secure an agreement between Christians and Muslims on which leaders should attend Damascus-chaired talks.

Separate status mooted for Ethiopian Jews

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA. - The city's chief Ashkenazi Rabbi, She'ar Yashuv Cohen, on Friday suggested that Ethiopian Jews should be recognized as a separate community if they refuse to undergo symbolic conversion.

He said the idea would be to give them a status similar to that of the Karaites.

Under his proposal, Ethiopians who refuse to undergo the symbolic conversion demanded by the rabbinate would not be able to marry any Jews in Israel apart from members of their own community.

Cohen supported the stand of the chief rabbis that the Ethiopian Jews must undergo symbolic conversion by immersion.

He explained that this is necessary since some of the Ethiopians had intermarried, and others had been converted to other faiths - sometimes against their will. Another reason, he said, was that the halachic laws of marriage and divorce had not been strictly observed. Tahiya Rabbi Eliezer Waldman

MK yesterday criticized the founder of the faction, MK Genua Cohen, for having described the Chief Rabbinate as "cruel" because of its stringent demands regarding conversion ceremonies for the Ethiopian immigrants.

Waldman said in a press release that Cohen's earlier criticism of the two chief rabbis was "a private expression of her personal opinions which does not represent the official position of Tahiya in any way."

The Citizens Rights Movement yesterday called on Prime Minister Shimon Peres not to go to the chief rabbis to plead for the Ethiopians. By doing so, it said, he will be "relinquishing the government's legal authority" and making the rabbis the sole judge of "who's a Jew and who's a half-Jew."

In New York last Thursday, Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Reform Union of American Hebrew Congregations, blasted Israel rabbinical authorities for insisting that Ethiopian Jews undergo ritual conversion.



Naoko Yoshino of Japan (left), winner of the Ninth International Harp Competition, shares her happy moment with third-prize winner Jean Jones of Wales in Jerusalem yesterday. There was no second prize given. (Vera Ezion)

Moda'i eats 'devaluation' words

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i yesterday backtracked on the hint of a shekel devaluation that he had let drop on Thursday.

"No government in the world can promise that there will never be a devaluation," he told Israel TV yesterday.

On Thursday, he had warned those people withdrawing money from their Patam accounts that they "will be sorry when the next devaluation comes."

His remarks had caused anger at the prime minister's office over the weekend. Sources there said it had sown confusion among the public as to the government's intentions.

Moda'i also said yesterday that he hoped the government would not be forced to act unilaterally to impose public sector cuts without Histadrut agreement.

Moda'i foresees early elections

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i expressed confidence last night that elections would be held well before the scheduled rotation in the premiership in November 1986.

Israel Radio, which reported this last night, said that Moda'i had made the statement at an internal Liberal Party meeting. He was reported to have said that the elections would be called either around economic issues or foreign policy.

First Jewish cemetery in U.S. vandalized

NEW YORK (AP). - The first Jewish cemetery in the U.S., dating back more than 300 years, has been desecrated by a vandal who destroyed seven graves with a pick and shovel.

The damage was done Wednesday night at Shearit Israel, a cemetery consecrated in 1656, officer Tony Vallejo, a police spokesman said.

Jesus Fuentes Richmond von Max, 30, identified by police as a vagrant, was arrested on charges of criminal mischief and criminal trespassing.

6 more SLA Shi'ites 'disappear' in Lebanon

METULLA. - Six South Lebanon Army soldiers disappeared from their posts late last week and have apparently deserted to the Amal Shi'ite militia.

The six had been guarding eight suspect civilians near the village of Markaba. When other SLA soldiers came to relieve them on Friday they found the post empty.

Amal sources in South Lebanon claimed the soldiers had defected. The SLA is investigating.

Britons are world's fastest Jews

By PAUL KOHN

TEL AVIV. - Britain snatched the gold medals in both men's and women's 100 metres sprints on the opening night of the 12th Maccabiah track and field events.

Gary Wilson, 22, successfully defended the title he won four years ago, with a time of 10.58 seconds. He beat Sandford Combs of the U.S., Yoav Sharon of Israel and the famed David Cassuto of the U.S. The 17-year-old Sharon produced a highly promising performance and will now set his sights on making the 1988 Olympic team for Israel.

An "unknown," Edna Lankry, of Israel, produced a scorching last 150 metres to overtake Andre Fox of Argentina and the more highly touted Hadas Landman, thus winning the gold medal in the 300 metres. The race provided an Israeli 1-2, as Landman took second place. Lankry's time of 2:13.76 minutes well short of the 1969 Maccabiah record of 2:08.9.

American runners also captured two gold medals. Ronald Blumberg had an easy passage in the 400 metres hurdles, winning from 11-year-old Joe Egan, in 54.82 seconds. Ti Egan-metre provided the first with a new tougher race, in which American Larry Grew held off Israel's Aris Gamilid. The Israeli runner set the early pace and was two metres behind Green the bull. In the last 70 metres he took at Gamilid would catch the American, but a lightning burst faded out. Green's time 14:12.71 was well below James Egan's Maccabiah 1981 record of 13:53.49 minutes. Egan is here to run in the 1,500 metres.

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The funeral will take place today, Sunday, July 21, 1985, 3 p.m., at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

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No single factor to blame for accident Full report out on bus tragedy

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Transport Minister Haim Corfu sees no point in setting up a commission of inquiry over the train-bus collision at Moshav Habonim last month, and hopes the parents of children killed in the accident will agree with him now that they have received copies of the full report prepared by the ministry's investigating committee.

Speaking on radio and TV over the weekend, Corfu said he understood the parent's deep pain and sorrow, but since the reason for the accident was known, and the bus driver was himself killed in the accident, he saw nothing that might be achieved by further investigation.

Corfu will meet with the parents this week and if they still insist on a commission of inquiry, he will bring their request before the full cabinet.

The collision, which claimed the lives of 22 people — 19 of them children — was the result of a combination of factors. Professor Moshe Livneh, head of the government appointed team that investigated the accident, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Livneh, who on Friday submitted an appendix to the earlier report on the disaster to Corfu, said it would be very difficult to lay the blame on any single person or circumstance.

In the second report, the inquiry team concentrated on four main issues: the legality of the road leading to the fatal level crossing near Moshav Habonim; the responsibility for safety at the crossing; safety at other unprotected road-rail junctions; the amount of driving experience of Egged bus driver Ruth Davidov.

The inquiry team found that the dirt road leading to the crossing and

then to the Habonim beach had been constructed illegally 19 years ago. No evidence of a request for a construction permit had been found.

The team was also very critical of the Hof Hacarmel Regional Council which, it said, had failed to fulfil its obligations for the upkeep of the road and the crossing — despite numerous requests from both the Israel Railways and the Transport Ministry.

The railways had on several occasions informed the regional council that the level crossing warning signs on the approach road were insufficient. But, despite these and other warnings, the council took no action.

Nevertheless the investigators held that Israel Railways itself had failed in its duty by not following up the warnings and checking that the work it had requested had been carried out.

Livneh emphasized that the approach to the level crossing was especially difficult for large vehicles because there was a sharp right-hand curve followed by a slope leading up to the railway line.

He said that although the railways was not responsible for the actual upkeep of the crossing, it was responsible for ensuring safety there. If it was not satisfied about safety at this particular crossing, it should have applied to the road transport controller for an order to close it to vehicles.

The investigating team also checked general safety precautions at 10 other unprotected level crossings along the line from Nahariya in the north to Yad Mordechai in the south, and found at least two were in a similar state to that at Moshav Habonim. Livneh said there were

something like 70 unprotected level crossings throughout the country.

The inquiry team in its appendix recommended that a thorough survey be made of all these crossings — with particular emphasis on checking safety.

On the fourth point, the investigators expressed concern over Davidov's limited experience and over the system of employing relief drivers under the emergency services (Melah) system.

Livneh said they had found that Davidov had only 600 hours experience as a bus driver and had been employed as a driver for a total of three months over a three year period.

The inquiry team recommended that the Labour Ministry, which is responsible for training and registering Melah Drivers, should check the system and, if possible, find ways of giving drivers more training and refresher courses.

Livneh told *The Post* that they had investigated reports about Davidov's driving ability and had interviewed parents and teachers who had been on school outings when she was driving. He said they had been unable to reach any firm conclusions because of differing views on the matter.

He reiterated that the train driver, although travelling at 40 km. above the speed limit, had been in no way responsible for the accident and had done all he could to prevent it.

Livneh said he would be willing to give evidence, if called, in any court proceedings brought by the parents of the children who were killed. But he emphasized that it would be very difficult to single out the cause of the accident and apportion blame.

Eshel flays Assad at Nairobi women's meeting

By JOANNA YEHIEL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NAIROBI. — The time was late evening. The majority of delegations to this UN conference on the Decade for Women had already packed up and gone home. The desks of the delegations were empty of people, still littered with the paraphernalia of discussion — ear-phones, pamphlets, papers, pens, microphones, bottles of mineral water.

After the main business of the day had been completed, with both Syria and the PLO having had their say at a packed plenum, Israel had demanded the right of reply.

The task was left to Tamar Eshel, and she sat at the table in the almost empty hall, writing her short speech

in long hand. Behind her was the Syrian table, where there had usually been a female delegation. But for this task, two beige-suited men were brought into action.

Behind them, was the U.S. delegation, which had also requested right of reply to Syria.

Tamar was given the microphone. Assad's hands, she told the plenum, were steeped in the blood of thousands of men, women and children of his own country. "Terror is your way of life, in Syria and without. Nobody who doesn't agree with you pays with his life."

The Syrians — and the few other delegations — were electrified. One of the beige-suited gentlemen jumped up, waving his card furiously

to indicate he wanted to speak.

"Point of order," Conference President, Kenya's Margaret Kenyatta was in the chair. "The delegate of Israel will continue," she ruled.

Eshel carried on: "You have financed, fed, equipped and trained dozens of terrorist groups to sow death and destruction across the border in Israel."

"The word peace is anathema to you — you are openly leading resistance to any rapprochement, any attempt to sit together and resolve the problems of the Middle East conflict."

Zionism, Eshel told Assad, is the Jewish people's national liberation movement.

The faces of the two Syrian gentlemen were dark with anger. Replying, the Syrian could hardly articulate his words, so great was his fury.

Perhaps as hurtful to the Syrians was the support for Israel given immediately afterwards by the U.S. delegation's Nancy Reynolds, adviser on women's affairs, who said in quieter but no less forceful words: "Syria has refused to play a part in the peace process and is responsible for the lack of progress towards peace. Syria is also responsible for bloodshed in Lebanon."

"The U.S. for its part will continue to act to achieve a comprehensive peace in the Middle East."

Police chief admits violence sometimes gets 'wink or nod'

By LEA LEVAVI

Police officers sometimes hint to the men under their command — with a wink or by turning a blind eye — that the use of violence is permissible, Police Inspector-General Rav-Nitzav David Kraus told Israel Radio yesterday.

Kraus said such officers will be asked to answer for the violence of their subordinates, and that policemen with complaints against them for violence will be re-evaluated and dismissed from the force where appropriate.

He said ambiguous commands by officers — in which men are told not to be violent but encouraged by other means to use violence — have occurred occasionally, but will not be tolerated.

Professor Menahem Amir, a criminologist at the Hebrew University,

said violence is an occupational disease among policemen, who see certain kinds of behaviour by civilians as insulting to them and their authority.

Police violence in Israel is not new, he said; it is merely more visible now. "It started against West Bank Arabs, then Israeli Beduin, then other Israeli Arabs, then Sephardi Jewish criminals, then Sephardi Jews who weren't criminals.... Now it has reached the Ashkenazim, who are middle-class people who stand up for their rights. When the victim is a journalist or a lawyer or a journalist's son, it becomes a public issue."

Moshe Tiomkin, formerly police commander in Tel Aviv and now a civilian, said violence by police destroys the public faith in the police force, without which maintenance of law and order is impossible.



Deposed acting mayor of Hebron, Mustafa Natshe (left) congratulates *Al-Fajr* editor Hanna Seniora on his inclusion in the list of prospective Palestinian members of the Jordanian-Palestinian delegation for talks with the U.S. (N. Ben Ami)

New Liberal moves for Herut merger

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Liberal party members who favour merging with Herut last week began organizing a national convention push for a merger, Liberal sources said yesterday. They said they were undaunted by the setback for the merger plan at last month's Liberal convention and by reports that Herut has decided to shelve the plan.

Liberal Ministers Avraham Shafir, Gideon Patt, Sara Doron, Moshe Nissim and Knesset Members Ariel Weinstein, Pessah Grupper, Benny Shalita, Eliezer Kulas, and others

met last Thursday and decided to work towards the merger.

A group of Young Liberals, headed by Tourism Ministry Director-General Rafael Farber, Doron Grupper, Amnon Landi and others has also decided to work on the merger with young Herut members.

There is much anger within the Liberal Party with prominent party members who claimed to be for the merger, but who made a secret agreement with merger opponents at the party convention to vote against the merger if Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i's merger proposal were rejected.

Ritual slaughterer murdered by son

HAIFA (Itim). — The son of an ultra-Orthodox ritual slaughterer stabbed his 51-year-old father to death in the family apartment here yesterday.

The man, 27, who was placed under arrest, had been in and out of psychiatric hospitals.

Hussein to Thatcher: Use influence over U.S.

By DAVID GRANT
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — King Hussein of Jordan has asked British Premier Margaret Thatcher to use her influence over the U.S. administration to persuade it not to allow Israel to veto possible participants in Middle East peace negotiations. This appears to have been one of the principal points of their discussions on Friday, which lasted one hour and forty minutes.

Thatcher's press spokesman and the Jordanians were tightlipped on the talks. But it has emerged that the Jordanian monarch has been somewhat disappointed at the public stance taken by the British government.

TA man charged with murder, theft

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Jimbamsheed Brumad, 36, a Tel Aviv resident, was accused of murder and robbery in the district court here on Friday.

The prosecution said that Brumad stabbed to death a Tel Aviv jeweler, Eliyahu Hugi, 53, last February 26. Brumad is still alleged to have stolen \$20,000, a gold chain and various precious stones.

'Amnesty' wants probe of Beirut camp events

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Amnesty International, the London-based human-rights group, has called for an investigation into recent events in and around Palestinian refugee camps in Beirut.

Following reports that many Palestinians captured by Shi'ite Amal forces were missing, concern was heightened by indications that some of the prisoners had been beaten while in custody. Amnesty were told that some 50 bodies were seen taken out of Amal's interrogation centre in Beirut and that Palestinians, including some in hospitals, had been summarily executed.

First Arab-Jewish course for teachers in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Staff

The first joint course for Jewish and Arab teachers on relations between the two peoples in Israel, conducted by the Ministry of Education, was held in Jerusalem last week.

Sixteen Jewish and 15 Arab educators participated in the five-day residential course.

The goals of the course were to get the Jewish and Arab participants

acquainted with one another, to increase cooperation and communication, and to plan school programmes to increase mutual tolerance and understanding.

A ministry spokesman said that although the participants were hesitant at the start, they were soon discussing all issues frankly, showing a great awareness of each other's problems.

Unifil soldier tries to smuggle gun

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Aviation Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A Unifil soldier's attempt to smuggle a revolver into an SAS plane at Ben-Gurion Airport was foiled and the man was turned over to the force's police, well-placed sources said last week.

The soldier, whose name has not been released, belongs to the Norwegian battalion. He was to have left on that plane on Wednesday morning for Copenhagen. After clearing passport control, he put his bag on a conveyor belt and the x-ray machine revealed the revolver hidden in a big transistor. The gun was not loaded.

The security officer called the police who detained the soldier for questioning. He was held until a Unifil officer arrived to take him away.

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Hope fades for 63 missing

150 known dead in north Italian dam burst

STAVA. — The official death toll in the north Italian dam burst rose yesterday to 150, with 63 people still missing, as geological experts sought the cause of the disaster.

Thousands of firemen, police, soldiers and volunteers searched for more bodies in the sea of sludge which engulfed the dolomite hamlet of Stava on Friday, sweeping away three hotels and about 20 houses.

One woman was found alive after spending 18 hours buried to her neck in sludge. Seven other survivors were rescued Friday but officials said there was little hope of finding anyone else alive.

Local residents angrily blamed the authorities for failing to prevent the disaster.

"I want to see someone in handcuffs by this evening," a local journalist shouted at an impromptu news conference by Elvino Pastorello, director of National Civil Defence, in Tesero, a village next to Stava.

A local priest told television reporters: "Certain things can be avoided. There should have been more careful checks on the dam."

Some officials said the collapse was due to a failure in the dam's overflow system, but others linked it to a nearby mine.

The earthwork dam, built 20 years ago, enclosed two lagoons which were used by a local company to treat flourite, a mineral extracted nearby from which flourite is derived.

Magistrates from the provincial

capital of Trento yesterday questioned the proprietor of the mineral company which managed the lagoons.

One local official said he believed that chemical residues in the lagoons had been absorbed by the surrounding limestone and the dam had steadily weakened until it gave way.

Pastorello declined to express any opinion on the causes of the collapse, but told reporters: "Checks should have been carried out regularly. Something obviously broke down somewhere."

Fresh teams of rescue workers yesterday relieved scores of firemen and soldiers who worked through the night sifting through the wreckage of the hotels and houses for bodies.

Exhausted troops took turns to rest in pine woods overlooking the disaster area.

Officials said they expected bodies to be found in the sludge for the next several days.

The dam break was the latest natural disaster to strike Italy, whose people have suffered through floods, fires and earthquakes in recent years.

In three terrifying minutes on the night of October 9, 1963, the town of Longarone, in the shadow of Mount Toc, northeast Italy, was virtually wiped out, when a gigantic wave swept over Vajont Dam following a landslide. The known death toll was put at 1,917. (Reuter, AP)



Musa Cedar Celebi, former head of the Federation of Turkish Workers in West Germany, raises his arm and shouts at Mehmet Ali Agca (left), the gunman who shot and wounded Pope John Paul II in 1981, during the trial late last week of Agca's co-conspirators in Rome. (Reuter telephoto)

Schoolteacher selected for Challenger shuttle flight

WASHINGTON (AP). — After months of rigorous testing and a highly publicized, nationwide search, Christa McAuliffe, a teacher at a New Hampshire public school, was selected Friday to fly into orbit aboard the space shuttle.

McAuliffe, 36, whose selection was announced by Vice President George Bush, will be the first American aboard the shuttle to have no industrial or political ties to the space programme.

Barbara Morgan of McCall-Donnelly elementary school in McCall, Idaho, was named as standby, to go on the flight if McAuliffe cannot.

McAuliffe broke into tears at the

announcement, saying, "When that shuttle goes up, there might be one body, but there's gonna be 10 souls that I'm taking with me."

She was selected from among 10 finalists to fly on the Challenger in January. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration says she will be America's first private citizen to fly in space, although representatives of private industry have been on previous space shuttle missions conducting experiments.

McAuliffe, a social studies teacher in Concord, teaches a course on "The American Woman." She said she plans to keep a journal similar to those of the pioneers who went West on Conestoga wagons in the 19th century.

Bangladesh gov't frees journalists' union head

DACCA, Bangladesh (AP). — The Bangladesh government Friday freed the president of the Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists, jailed after journalists allegedly ransacked a pro-government newspaper office here, local police officials said.

Police arrested Habibur Rahman Milan after a group of journalists dismissed from the Bengali daily newspaper *The Janata* allegedly ransacked the paper's Dacca office on Thursday.

The paper, considered a mouthpiece of the ruling Janadal (People's

Party), laid off many of its employees because of wage disputes dating back to February.

The union, which denied involvement in the vandalism, has urged management to rehire the journalists.

OPERA. — Spanish tenor Placido Domingo sang Verdi's "Otello" at a Madrid football stadium Friday night before an audience of 35,000, which he said was the biggest ever for a complete opera.

14 killed in Indian riots despite pact on job quotas

NEW DELHI (AP). — At least 14 people have been killed and 30 wounded in bloody Hindu-Muslim violence since Friday night in the western Gujarat state despite an agreement to end five months of protests over government welfare schemes for lower castes, news reports said yesterday.

Ten of the deaths occurred Friday night in the walled sector of Ahmedabad, where widespread rioting, arson, bomb blasts, stabbing and stone-throwing were reported, according to the mass-circulation *Hindustan Times*.

Sectarian violence continued yesterday, leaving four dead, the United News of India reported. The news agency said one of the victims was shot by police, and the other three were stabbed.

The slayings took place after the government of Gujarat state announced on Friday that it had reached agreement with student-led agitators on ending their agitation which began February 18.

The agitators have been protest-

ing a state government plan to increase job and education quotas for lower castes.

About 240 people have been killed in the five-month protest. Most died in clashes between upper and lower caste Hindus, between Hindus and Muslims, and police and protesters.

Gujarat's top elected official, Chief Minister Amarsinh Chaudhary, reported to the state assembly Friday about the agreement on ending the agitation, and said it was reached after his government conceded to all demands made by the agitators.

Among the concessions was the suspension of a plan to increase by 18 per cent the quotas in government jobs and college education for lower castes until a "national consensus" is worked out on the issue, Chaudhary said.

The 18 per cent hike in quotas would have taken to 45 per cent the number of seats reserved in colleges and government employment for the socially disadvantaged.

Truce in U.S.-E.C. citrus war

WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. trade representative Clayton Yeutter announced a truce Friday in the long dispute with the European community over sales of American citrus fruit in Europe.

"If the EC fails to take satisfactory action on citrus by October 31, 1985," Yeutter's statement said, "both sides acknowledge that the U.S. reserves the right to retaliate against the EC's discriminatory tariff treatment on U.S. citrus exports."

The truce was reached after talks between Yeutter and Willy de Clercq, the EC's commissioner for external affairs.

Under the truce, the U.S. suspended an increase in duty on im-

ported Italian pasta, which President Ronald Reagan ordered as a retaliation against the Europeans' failure to act on citrus.

The Europeans cut their subsidy on pasta by 45 per cent. They also dropped a proposed increase in their duties on U.S. lemons and walnuts, which was to have been retaliation for the U.S. move on pasta.

Frans Andriessen, the EC's commissioner for agriculture, had said that these measures could be warning shots in a trade war.

Both sides agreed to go on talking about the citrus issue, which dates back to 1973. That was when the Europeans decided to lower their tariffs on imported citrus from Mediterranean countries.

U.S. offers reward for killers' capture

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. government offered a \$100,000 reward Friday for information leading to the capture and punishment of the gunman who killed six Americans in El Salvador last month.

State Department spokesman Robert Smalley, who announced the reward, declined to say whether the announcement was tied to a warning letter given the Nicaraguan government on Thursday by U.S. Ambassador Harry Bergold.

That warning, Smalley said, was "not a pretext for direct U.S. military action. Absolutely not."

The note said the U.S. has indications of preparations being made for Nicaraguan-supported terrorist attacks against U.S. personnel in Honduras.

Smalley said U.S. officials had learned of threats against specific targets. The U.S. will react accordingly to any such attacks, the note said.

Evidence of explosion builds in Air-India crash

NEW DELHI. — Investigators probing last month's Air-India crash believe the plane's main electronic components failed simultaneously, reinforcing suspicions that the aircraft exploded in the air, an Indian news agency said Friday.

The United News of India, quoting sources close to a government inquiry, said investigators determined the simultaneous system failure after examining the plane's cockpit voice recorder and the digital flight-data recorder, retrieved last week from 2,040 metres beneath the Atlantic off Ireland.

The Boeing 747 plunged into the Atlantic some 191 kilometres southwest of the Irish coast, killing all 329 people aboard. The aircraft disappeared from radar scopes at Shannon International Airport without the pilot issuing a distress call.

According to UNI, the two flight recorders, the transponder, which is a radio navigational aid, and the air-data computer all stopped functioning at the same moment. It quoted the sources as saying

that such a massive failure indicated only two explanations for the crash: an explosion or a structural fault.

The agency said investigators doubted a structural fault because the plane had been in service for about 10 years and had shown no sign of excessive wear. Airline officials told reporters last month that the plane had undergone a thorough technical inspection only weeks before the crash.

UNI said Indian, Canadian and American investigators were unanimous in their conclusion about the system failure. U.S. and Canadian experts have been assisting in analyzing the two recorders.

One of the U.S. investigators on Friday said wreckage from the jet holds the key to the mystery of the crash. "Without wreckage analysis we will not come to any conclusion as to what caused the disaster," an expert from the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board said.

Nato says Soviet naval exercise largest ever

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — The current naval exercise in the North Atlantic is the largest demonstration of Russian sea power in history, NATO's Supreme Atlantic Commander Admiral Wesley McDonald said yesterday.

He said the exercise, bringing together submarines and surface ships from the Kola Peninsula and the Baltic and Black Sea fleets, was larger than the giant Ocean '75, which involved some 100 combat and supply ships.

McDonald, visiting NATO headquarters from his base in Norfolk, Virginia, to brief Secretary-General Lord Carrington, said in an interview that Moscow seemed to be

practising ways of preventing NATO from reinforcing Norway in wartime.

Three Soviet naval groups gathered west of Ireland were simulating NATO aircraft-carrier battle groups sailing northeast towards three "barriers" of Soviet submarines and surface ships.

"Historically...it's the largest projection of coordinated Soviet maritime forces at any time on exercise," McDonald said. "They are exercising that navy as a counter to what they perceive to be NATO's way of using its navy."

He said the nearest of the Soviet submarine barriers was deployed between Iceland, northern Scotland and southwestern Norway. The second line was across the Norwegian Sea and the last on the western edge of the North Cape, where simulated air strikes from the Kola were being coordinated with submarines.

"The defence of the homeland is now much further extended," he said,

California fire areas get 'disaster' status

LAKEHEAD, California (AP). — President Ronald Reagan on Friday designated as disaster areas seven California counties devastated by brush and forest fires between June 27 and July 10 in a state of flames that continue to burn in many areas of the eastern U.S.

The declaration allows residents whose homes and businesses were damaged in the fires to apply for government loans.

Fires have charred more than 1.25 million dunams in the state, killed three people, destroyed 200 homes and 60 vehicles and led to at least 25 million in insurance claims.

Meanwhile, firefighters on Friday battled a 405-dunam blaze that sprang from a campfire just as it seemed that northern California's fire problems were ending.

WALL STREET WEEK

'Climbing over wall of worry'

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Wall Street muscled its way to its third record of the week on Friday as investors responded enthusiastically to healthy corporate earnings reports.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 8.72 to a record close of 1,359.54, overtaking Wednesday's mark of 1,357.97. The Dow index gained 20.94 points for the week.

The average price per share increased 14 cents. Advances led declines 1,066-540 and volume fell to 114.83 million shares from 131.35m. on Thursday.

William Staton of Interstate

Securities said the market seemed to be "climbing over a wall of worry" with investors struggling off such concerns as a continuing Congressional debate over a budget.

He noted that investors seemed remarkably calm about the market's strong performance last week and remarked it boded well for the future.

Staton said stock buyers appeared optimistic about prospects for continued moderate inflation and possibly lower interest rates, as well as a spate of strong second-quarter earnings reports from banks and other big businesses.

Federal Trade boss named U.S. budget chief

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — President Reagan on Friday named Federal Trade Commission Chairman James Miller as his budget

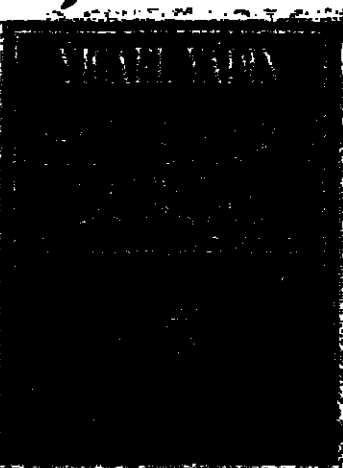
director. He replaces David Stockman, who is leaving his post to join a Wall Street investment house, the White House said.

Miller, a 43-year-old conservative economist, has served at the Federal Trade Commission since September 1981.

From 1977-81 Miller was co-director of the Centre for the Study of Government Regulation at the American Enterprise Institution, a Washington-based public policy think-tank.

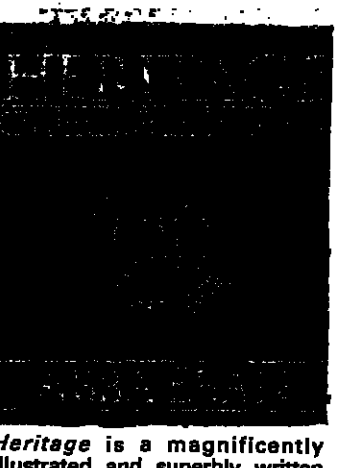
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THE RABBINATE may question the validity of a Reform marriage, but when that marriage is to be terminated, the (Orthodox) rabbis will insist on a get, a Jewish bill of divorce. According to Jerusalem-based divorce lawyer Ruth Wahrman, "the rabbis order a get even in cases of civil marriage."

Wahrman was speaking at the sixth annual conference of Mitzva, the League for Family Rights. Mitzva advocates mediation rather than litigation in times of marital crisis and contends that divorce can be a civilized dissolution of partnership instead of an ugly and protracted courtroom battle.

Mitzva president Penina Peli criticized the rabbinical courts for not exercising the power vested in them to dissolve a marriage when either the husband refuses to grant, or the wife refuses to accept, a get. She and other speakers emphasized that although the rabbinical courts can force a husband to divorce his wife when they are convinced of the justification of her appeal, they tend to rule against the woman.

Mitzva national board member Dr. Stanley Levin pointed out that the rabbinical courts do not always side with the man. In one case in which a wife had been awarded custody of the children, the husband appealed to the rabbinical court that custody be transferred to him because the wife's lover was a violent man who was dangerous to the safety of both the woman and her children.

The lover had beaten the woman and had been sentenced to six months in prison for trying to run over one of the children. Although there was written evidence to support the father's appeal, the rabbinical court, after sending a social

worker to investigate, denied him custody because there was no religious school in the area where he lived.

Even when the rabbinical court decides in favor of divorce, Wahrman said, "It has virtually no power to enforce its decision." Many women go outside Israel to obtain a civil divorce, which is not recognized halachically; any future relationship they have with a man is adulterous. Some women don't even bother with the civil divorce.

By refraining from employing its power, Wahrman implied, the rabbinical court is contributing to the birth of *mamzerim*.

There is a halachic provision for annulment of marriages torn asunder by intractable problems. Levin cited the case of a 30-year marriage annulled in the U.S. by the foremost halachic authority, Rabbi Moshe Feinstein. The husband had been receiving psychological treatment before the marriage. The wife claimed that she had not been told that he was under treatment, and had she known, she probably would not have married him. Since the husband could not be persuaded to give his wife a get, Feinstein, weighing the irreconcilable differences between the couple, annulled the marriage.

Although monogamy is now the rule in Israel, there are circumstances under which a man who is technically married can receive a rabbinic dispensation permitting him to take another wife without either divorce or annulment.

Explaining the background to this anomalous procedure, Rabbi Dr. David Mescheloff, director of the Kotler Institute for Judaic and Contemporary Thought, and a Mitzva

A civilized dissolution

Mitzva, the League for Family Rights, advocates mediation rather than litigation in times of family crisis, Greer Fay Cashman discovers.



Jewish divorce ceremony, engraving by Dutch artist Jan Luyken (1649-1712).

Untying the knot

A full-service divorce package is now available, writes Lea Levavi.

term treatment, and a minimal amount of agreement between the spouses is essential for Yahad's method to succeed.

Yahad will work not only with the couple, but with the entire family, Amir added. "We want to minimize the trauma children face. The legal act of divorce does not necessarily put an end to the fighting between the parents. Some couples continue to use their children as weapons in

their fight against each other long after both have remarried and started raising new families.

"If adults want to fight, that's their problem, but when they ruin their children's lives in the process we have to intervene on the children's behalf."

Retired judge Yitzhak Shilo said there are three ways couples can approach divorce. "The most reasonable among them reach an

agreement on their own and come to court with a *fait accompli*. They don't need Yahad. At the other extreme are couples who enjoy the fight and think that divorce isn't divorce without a few years of litigation, recriminations and making each other miserable. They won't come to Yahad either.

"The couples who will come are those in the middle, those who want a divorce but are confused and need

help in finding a way to do it as quickly and cleanly as possible."

The therapists at Yahad will try marriage counselling techniques to keep the couple together before deciding that the best way to help the couple is to ease the divorce process. "No court has ever made marital peace," Shilo said. "For marital peace, you don't need a court and you don't need Yahad. You need a little flower shop or a nice restaurant."

He added that for the past 20 years, since he visited the U.S. and saw the court system there, he has been advocating the establishment of family courts in Israel. Though some of the women's organizations

themselves for the split in the marriage. They think that if they behave themselves their parents will get back together. Parents who cannot live with each other, emphasized Dreman, must educate their children that "it's not your fault."

The parents themselves, when they separate, go through terrible emotional trauma, he added. There are periods of denial and depression, which are "normative phenomena", and then the parties become angry at anyone and everyone — the ex-spouse, parents, children... the whole world is to blame for their predicament. This too is normal.

At the Bandy Steiner Centre staffers advise the people participating in their programme not to fight for custody or maintenance when they are depressed. "We tell them to wait till they're angry," disclosed Dreman, "so that they can use their energy in a constructive way." They are also advised not to rush off to a psychologist as soon as they detect changes in their behavioural patterns, because this could all too easily "turn a normative problem into a psychological catastrophe."

One of the factors in the centre's success is that it is located on the university campus. The university has an air of neutrality clear of the stigma which attaches to consulting a lawyer or a psychologist. The group atmosphere is healthy because it enables participants to meet others who are going through the same process. In any single group there are people who have not yet initiated divorce proceedings, people who have been divorced for 10 years or more. Participants often continue the sessions by themselves after the group has officially disbanded.

A NEW approach to helping couples get a divorce is now available through Yahad (Together) 1985, Inc., the Institute for Divorce by Mutual Consent and for Marital Peacemaking.

"The ethics of lawyers are different from those of psychologists," psychologist Naomi Mor explained at a recent press conference at which the work of Yahad was introduced. "The lawyer, whose job is to help his client in an adversarial way, tends to increase the tensions and conflicts which we, as therapists, want to help decrease. Yahad will bring all the professionals together in a team so we will all be pulling in the same direction, instead of at cross-

purposes."

Following an intake appointment in which the staff assesses the couple's needs, one of 13 treatment plans is chosen. Each plan is a package, ranging in price from \$1,500 to \$5,000, and includes a specified number of meetings with psychologists, social workers, lawyers, an economic adviser and other professionals, as well as sessions at civil or rabbinical courts. If additional meetings or court sessions are required, an added fee is charged.

What if one spouse is unwilling to come for treatment? Dafna Amir, the social worker who is Yahad's project coordinator, explained that the institute is not geared for long-

Sweden: Sweeping housewives out

MONICA KULLMAN, 29, wants to stay at home as a housewife and mother, but because of Sweden's income redistribution programme and push for equality between the sexes her family can't afford to live on her husband's income.

She went to court seeking public financial aid, but lost her claim. She now faces an uphill battle against what some say is the demise of the Swedish housewife. Swedish women have been leaving their traditional domain in the home since a string of equal rights laws was enacted in the 1970s. A recent labour department study said that Sweden now has the highest rate of gainfully employed women in the western world — almost 80 per cent of women of working age. (In the U.S. the figure is 61 per cent and in the Netherlands 35 per cent, according to the study.)

At present rates, some experts calculate, the era of the Swedish housewife will be history within 10 years.

Critics point to polls indicating a majority of women would prefer to stay at home with their children. But many of their families, like Monica Kullman's, would fall below the Swedish poverty line if they did.

Women's move into the labour market has brought parallel increases in public outlays for chil-

dren's day care, which the governing Social Democrats consider essential if women are to be equally employed. The number of pre-school children in public day care has increased from 20 per cent to 64 per cent during the past 15 years, official statistics say.

Changes in Swedish society have also been furthered by the strength of the women's liberation movement. "Most female politicians are careerists with no urge to stay at home," housewife Catarina Runskle told the Associated Press. "They, of course, find it hard to represent us," said Runskle, a leading member of Familjekampanjen, an independent organization struggling for what it calls the family's best interests.

Sweden is one of the richest countries in the world, with an extensive public welfare system based on taxing and redistributing income.

A family's income is taxed to support day care regardless of whether or not the family uses it, and a one-income family gets no special support either in grants or any major tax breaks. On the contrary, a woman who stays at home with her children will receive a minimum from the national health insurance and other public insurances because such compensation is based on her earned income. (AP)

IN THE 10 years since the UN proclamation of the international women's decade, the status of women in Spain has changed radically.

But the director of the government-funded Women's Institute fears that some gains made by women since the end of the authoritarian 1939-75 regime of general Francisco Franco may be slipping away.

Since 1978, Spanish women can legally buy contraceptive pills and sue for divorce. In addition, as soon as a new bill is signed into law, they will be able to undergo abortions in case of proven danger to their health, malformation of the fetus, or pregnancy resulting from rape or incest, though the Spanish Roman Catholic conference of bishops has threatened them with excommunication if they do.

But Carlota Bustelo, a former Socialist deputy and current head of the Women's Institute, says the tiny percentage of women in high places in Spanish public life and private business is "absolutely ridiculous."

"If we really want to achieve a democratic society in Spain," she said, "women are going to have to occupy more decision-making positions."

Bustelo is heading Spain's nine-member delegation to the UN conference currently underway in Nairobi, called to evaluate the gains

The status of women in Europe

Spain: Slippery gains

made in women's rights since the decade began.

A report prepared by the institute shows that women make up 30.1 per cent of the work force in Spain, up from 27.6 per cent a decade ago. It also demonstrates that women continue to occupy the lower paid, non-power jobs.

"Women are often the first to suffer in times of serious unemployment," Bustelo said. "Then the traditional notion comes to the fore that they should be home anyway tending the children." At 22.7 per cent, Spain's unemployment rate is the highest in Europe.

During part of the Franco era, working women who married were obliged to quit their jobs.

Although the Socialists were

swept into power in October 1982 on what appeared to be a progressive platform, the number of women in parliament and in important government positions remains basically unaltered since the first post-Franco elections in 1977.

Women hold no ministerial posts. There is one woman secretary-general and 10 directors general.

One of the more "remarkable" findings of the report, Bustelo said, was the dramatic decrease in the fecundity rate of Spanish women.

In 1975, Spanish women bore 2.8 children, on the average. Today the figure is 1.7.

Bustelo attributes the decline in the birth rate more to economic pressures than to easy access to family planning information. She said there were only 256 public family planning centres in the nation of 38 million people.

On the other hand, clandestine abortions number between 250,000 and 300,000 a year, according to the most reliable statistics.

Unlike France and Italy, where basic legislation permitting abortion included provisions for payment by national health programs, the Spanish bill is only a modification of a Franco-era penal code.

Until necessary action is taken by the health and labour ministries, abortion will only be available to women who can afford the high price of private Spanish medicine. (AP)

France: Breaking into the bourse

FRANCE'S first woman stockbroker, 43-year-old Sylvie Girardet, was recently accepted into the exclusive realm of the small but fast-growing stock exchange in the southeastern city of Lyons.

Women were allowed back into the French Bourse only in 1967, after a 261-year ban introduced on the grounds that money dealing attracted women of "doubtful reputation."

It has taken nearly 20 more years for a woman stockbroker to appear.

The daughter and granddaughter of stockbrokers, Girardet told Reuters in an interview: "In the old days I used to have to wait for my father outside the entrance of the Bourse."

The closed stockbroking fraternity is traditionally a family business protected by the stringent conditions required for the job. "To become a broker, you must have 2 million francs (\$214,000), be approved by the 100-member ruling body and also pass a difficult examination before being nominated by the Finance Ministry," said Girardet.

She regards her nomination as a matter of course, as she has run a brokerage house with her father, now 75, for more than five years, and is his natural successor.

The great boom on the Paris

Bourse in the late 1970s has led to a modernization of the profession. Brokerage houses have opened their doors to new professionals, including women.

However, most professionals agree that the French Bourse still functions in a very archaic way, and women are still in a tiny minority, with only three female assistant brokers in the seven French stock exchanges.

"Lyons' total transactions in a year are equivalent to only two or three days of business on the Paris Stock Exchange," says Christine Lalonde, recently hired by a brokerage firm as a sales specialist.

Paris itself is 36 times smaller than Wall Street, and it seems that it will be some time before a woman stockbroker is admitted to the Paris Bourse.

At least that is the impression given by Yves Flornoy, former chairman of the Stockbrokers' Association, who said with a smile: "We mustn't be too quick in depriving Sylvie Girardet of her uniqueness among us." (Reuters)

Today is edited by Joanna Yehiel.

ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL:
9:00 No Secrets 9:30 Betty and Lillibit 9:40 Tom Gratten's War (part 2) 10:10 The Forgotten Voyage 15:00 I Want to Dance 16:00 Rakov Golem 16:30 Striker (part 7) 17:00 A New Evening — live magazine
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
17:30 The 12th Macabre: Swimming
ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:
18:30 News roundup
19:00 News
HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20:00 with a news roundup
20:00 Programme Trailer
20:15 Tili Pop — pop and entertainment magazine
21:00 Mabul Newsweek
21:30 Stroud for a Nightingale. Part 4 of a 5-part English detective serial, starring Roy Marsden, Jose Ackland and Sheila Allen
22:30 Ballet to Verdi's The Four Seasons
23:00 Venice's St. Mark's Square
23:20 Sofa Discussion — with Prof. Asa Kasher
23:30 News
JORDAN TV (unofficial):
17:30 Cartoons 18:00 French Hour 19:30 News in Hebrew 20:00 News in Arabic 21:00 News 21:10 Documentary 22:00 News in English 22:20 Love Boat
MIDDLE EAST TV (from T.A. north):
13:00 Westbook Hospital 13:30 Tonight 14:00 Now Club 14:30 Children's Programmes 17:00 Jackson's 17:30 Flying House 18:00 Circus 19:00 Cultural 20:00 Sports 21:00 Death Valley Days 21:30 Movie 22:00 Good News
ON THE AIR
Voice of Music
6:02 Morning Melodies
7:07 Hallel: Alexander's Feast; Mozart: Rondo in D major
7:30 Concerto Grosso No. 11 in G major (Fallada); Boccherini: Cello Con-

certo No. 2 in D major; Schumann: Quartet for Piano and Strings in G major; Bowen: Sonata for Oboe and Piano; Rotherberg: Variations
9:30 Bonadina: In the Steppes of Central Asia; Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor; Chanson: Chanson Perpetuelle; Schubert: Fantasia in F minor; C.P.E. Bach: Trio Sonata in G major (Rampall, Stern); Telemann: Cantata; Mozart: Divertimento in E-flat major for Violin, Viola and Cello, K.363
10:05 9th Grade Raz — Bach: French Suite in B minor; Bartok: Sketches, Op. 96; Kodaly: Variation on a Theme by Debussy
13:00 Ghidini: Gestures to Cervantes; Revue: Gestures to Lenny; Revue: Music to film, News; Chavez: Violin Concerto; Ponce: 5 Songs; Balaban: Tri Partita 15:05 Musical Quiz
16:00 Schumann: Waldscenen; Bizet: Adieu de Theresese arab; Grieg: Piano Concerto in A minor; Brahms: String Quintet in G major, Op. 111, No. 2; Bach: Suite No. 4 in E-flat major for Cello
18:30 Bach: Mass in A major; Dvorak: Missa in D major; Gibbons: Psalm 128; Purcell: Motet
20:05 Vivaldi: Piccolo Concerto in C major; Corelli: Sonata in E major, Op. 5 No. 1
20:30 Prize-Giving Ceremony of the 9th Harp Contest
22:30 Musical Traditions of Different Communities
22:00 Night Music
First Programme
6:00 Programmes for Olim
7:30 Morning Concert (from Voice of Music)
9:30 Encounter — live family magazine
10:30 Programme in Easy Hebrew
11:10 Hebrew songs
12:00 Education for all
12:05 Oriental songs
13:00 News in English
13:30 News in French
14:05 Children's programmes
15:30 World of Science (repeat)
15:55 Notes on a New Book
16:05 The Jewish State
17:12 Jewish Ideas
17:20 Everyman's University
18:05 Radio Drama
19:05 Bible Reading
19:15 Jewish Law
19:30 Programmes for Olim
22:05 Child and Family Magazine
Second Programme
6:12 Gymnastics
6:12 Editorial Review
6:30 Green Light — drivers' corner
7:00 This Morning — news magazine
8:05 Pass in Sandals — children's programme
9:05 House Call — with Rivka Michaeli
10:10 All Shades of the Network
12:10 Open Line — news and music
13:00 Midday — news commentary, music
14:05 Men of Letters — with Gail Gazi
15:05 Magic Moments — favourite old songs
16:10 Safe Journey
17:30 Economics Magazine
17:30 Swimming — live broadcast from Tel Aviv University
18:05 Press Conference
18:45 Today in Sport
19:05 Today — radio newsweek
19:35 The Jewish People
20:05 Light Athletics — live broadcast from Hader Yotef
21:15 Cantata Requests
22:05 Light Music for Wind Ensembles
23:05 Third Bell — arts magazine
Arny
6:10 Morning Sounds
6:30 University on the Air
7:07 "707" — with Alex Anski
8:05 Morning Newsweek
9:05 Right Now — with Rafi Reshef
11:05 The Old Days — with Orly Yaviv
12:30 Israeli Style — with Eli Yisraeli
15:05 What's Doing — with Erez Tel
16:05 Four in the Afternoon
17:05 Evening Newsweek
18:05 Sports Magazine
19:05 Radio Radio — with Yoram Katsor
20:05 Out of Sight — folk songs
21:00 Mabul — TV Newsweek
22:30 University on the Air (repeat)
23:05 Popular songs
23:05 Edna Evron talks to author David Grossman (repeat)
00:05 Night Birds — songs, chat

CINEMAS

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Alleyway Nine Beds of the Ninja; Ben-Yehuda: Breakdown Club; Chai Is Police Academy II, 6.45, 9.15; Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs 11.2, 4.10; Chai Is Fantasia 11.2, 4.30, 7.35, 9.45; Chai Is Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs 6.15, 8.15; Life of Brian 10.05; Famous Five 11.2, 4.30; Chai Is Camilla 7.40, 9.45; Alice in Wonderland 11.2, 4.30, 6.35, 7.40; Chaim: Up Your Anchor; Cinema Two: Falling in Love 5.7, 9.30; Dekal: Tosca 7.30; Drive-In: Children's War Sp.m.; Sex Film 12 midnight; Esther: Morons from Outer Space; Gate: Killing Fields 6.45, 9.30; Golden Seal 11.2, 3.30, 5; Garden: Kane 4.15, 7.45; Road Rambo 4.45, 7.15, 9.30; Lev Is Amadeus 3.30, 6.30, 9.30; Lev Is El Norte 1.45, 5.7, 9.30; Lina: Opening story: Maxine: Up Your Anchor; Mergal: You're in the Army Girls; Orly: Witness 4.45, 7.30, 9.30; Purse: Hotel New Hampshire 7.30, 9.30; Watership Down 12.2, 4.30; Pear: Never Ending Story 3.30, 5.30, 7.30; Shaiat: Musk 5.7, 9.30; Shaiat: Lady Hawke 5.7, 9.15, 9.30; Tamara: Rambo: Don't Look Now 7.45, 9.45; Telesat: Split 5.7, 9.30, 9.40; Tel Aviv: View to a Kill 4.15, 7.30, 9.30; Children's War 11 a.m.; Zafra: Passage to India 6.15, 9.30; Ben Leidan: Rumble Fish 12 midnight; Israel Exhibition: Psycho 1.6, 8, 9 (English); 7 (German)

HAIFA 4.30, 7.15

Amphitheatre: Up Your Anchor; Arnon: Revenge of the Nerds 7.15; Billy 4.30; Atzmon: Rambo; Chai: Hasamba 4.30, 7; Hot Dog 9.15; Kerna Or: Hasamba: Hotel New Hampshire 7.15, 9.15; Samah 4; Merle: Candelaria 11; Hasamba 4; Wizard of Oz 5.30; Falling in Love 7.30; Witness 9.30; Orna: Never Ending Story; Orly: Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs 11.2, 4.30, 7.35; Pear: Police Academy II; Rose: View to a Kill 4.45, 9.30; Ramat Gan: Cotton Club 7.30, 9.30; Ram-Gan 1: Police Academy II, 7.45, 9.30; Fantasia 11.2, 3.50; Ram-Gan 2: Camilla 7.45, 9.30; Golden Seal 11.2, 3.10, 5.45; Ram-Gan 3: Fantasia 7.45, 9.45; Police Academy II, 5.15; Surman 11.3.15; Ram-Gan 4: Passage to India 6.30, 9.30; Hasamba 11.3.10.5
RAMAT GAN
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Dr. Katz seeks perfection

By PAUL KOHN
TEL AVIV. — While all the other competitors in the Maccabiah swimming events swam hell-for-leather in search of medals and records, the only aim of Dr. Jane Katz of the U.S. was to show perfection and grace in the Tel Aviv University pool.

Dr. Katz has been U.S. Synchronized Swimming Solo Champion for the past ten years. She is here for her 8th consecutive Maccabiah, and now that synchronized swimming has become an Olympic sport, is trying hard to persuade the Maccabiah organizers to include this event in future Games.

It was film star Esther Williams who gave "Water Ballet" a major boost. Dr. Katz told me that synchronized swimming is a continuation of that famous show, but it is now judged much more by its precision.



GRACE. — Dr. Jane Katz, seeks perfection in water ballet.

"To be good at synchronized swimming you have to be a gymnast in the water, to have the strength of a swimmer and the grace of the diver," she added. Points are awarded by judges' panels as meticulously as in figure-skating or diving.

Dr. Katz first won a Maccabiah gold medal in 1961, when she won the 100 m. butterfly for the U.S. and was a member of the winning relay team. In 1975, she was third in the 400 m. freestyle. She has since been a team manager and coach at later Maccabiah. Her brother, Paul Katz, won Maccabiah swimming medals in three Maccabiah.

Dr. Katz said that there was great potential for synchronized swimming in Israel. The sport is strenuous but is also extremely aesthetic. It has no age limit.

The shapely champion has just published a book, "The Water Exercise Techniques Workout," which has already been translated into Hebrew. She previously wrote a bestseller, "Swimming for Total Fitness." She believes that exercise in water is therapeutic.

"It is good for the heart and lungs, and for persons suffering from bad back ailments," Dr. Katz said.

Dr. Katz obtained her doctorate from Columbia University in gerontology and leisure studies, and has been a professor of health and physical education since 1964. She is a member of President Ronald Reagan's Council on Physical Education, and is a personal acquaintance of his and Mrs. Reagan's. The president was a keen swimmer and lifeguard when he was young.

She believes that he should go in for water therapy after he leaves hospital.

Steeds and riders shone

By PAUL KOHN
TEL AVIV. — It is not usual to associate immigration to Israel with horses.

It thus came as a surprise when six magnificent groomed steeds entered the Ramat Gan Stadium carrying flagbearers for the 12th Maccabiah Opening Ceremony this week. Three of the riders were women — Shirley Hirsch and Karen Mac, both immigrants from England, and Nancy Zeitlin who came here from the U.S. and has the ambition to ride in the Olympics for Israel.

It was the first time that dressage horses have appeared in any Maccabiah Opening Ceremony. The 50,000 crowd admired the masterly horsemanship of the classically attired riders, who were granted no prior publicity by the Maccabiah organizers.

It was an especially sentimental ride for Shirley Hirsch, the daughter of Lionel Shalit, who died two months ago. A veteran of British Maccabiah, Shalit participated in every Maccabiah from the first to the 11th.

The horses, which took part in four years, also came on aliyah, hailing from Holland, Germany, France and Britain. The other riders at the festive opening were Kenny Lalo, Ady Leibowitz and Ran Weinstein.

The horses, which took part in four rehearsals, know instinctively when it is the big day, Shirley Hirsch told me. "They love to show off and perform, although they were nervous because of the crowds and bright lights," she added.

Their controlled parading deserved every clap — and the watermelon they received as their reward.



MUSCLE COLLECTOR. — Rubin Candiotti, wrestler from Guam.

Our man from Guam

By JACK LEON
RAMAT GAN. — Wrestler Rubin Candiotti, 46, the one-man team from Guam at the 12th Maccabiah, has in turn been free-style wrestling champion of Hawaii, Israel and Guam. This is Candiotti's fourth Games over a 24-year period. He competed twice in American colours and twice in those of Guam, the Pacific island which has been his home for the past decade.

Candiotti, a physical education teacher, won bronze medals as a heavyweight in both free-style and Greco-Roman wrestling in the 1961 Games. Four years later, he took a silver in free-style in the 78-kilo class.

After the 7th Games, Candiotti stayed on in Israel, getting a job as a wrestling coach with Hapoel Rehovot. He won the Israeli national championships (78-kilo free-style) in 1966, and that year also captured a gold medal in the same category at the Hapoel Games.

There are some 100 Jews among the 107,000 residents of Guam, Candiotti reports. Many of them are servicemen in the big U.S. military base there and consequently there is a big turnover in the tiny community. The island, 31 miles in length and eight miles wide, has one small synagogue. It has been an American Trust Territory since 1950.

This time, Candiotti has not come to the Games alone, bringing with him 11-year-old Guam swimmer Yair Lurie, whose father was born in Israel. Yair is participating in the separate inaugural "Junior Maccabiah" for youngsters under 15.

New York-born Candiotti is a graduate of the University of Hawaii and in 1961 he was the 78-kilo free-style champion there. He now holds a similar title in Guam. He is president of the Body Building Federation of Guam and a few years ago twice won the title of "Mr. Guam" and went on to represent the island in "Mr. Universe" contests in Manila and Cairo.

In the 12th Maccabiah wrestling championships Candiotti made an early exit in the Greco-Roman competition, but he is hoping for more success in the 74-kilo class free-style event.

Candiotti — who is of Turkish origin — is living at the new Kfar Hamaccabiah Hotel here, and the wrestling championships take place in the village's sports hall.

He says enthusiastically, "Conditions are perfect and have changed out of all recognition since my first Maccabiah in 1961. The accommodation, organization and training facilities could not be better, and the comradeship between the athletes is tremendous. Everyone is bending over backwards to help us."

The man from Guam has no thoughts of retiring. Indeed, Candiotti is already planning his return to the 13th Games — "but next time I'll bring at least one Maccabiah team-mate and two participants in the Junior Maccabiah."

Who will he represent in 1989?

By FAITH SPECTOR
REX MOSS was obviously thrilled to be back in the clubhouse of the Caesarea Golf Club. Everyone, old and young, hailed him with affection and enthusiasm. He was the centre of attention.

Suddenly somebody asked, "Who are you representing at this Maccabiah?"

Moss answered rather sheepishly, though with a note of pride: "Australia."

There was a burst of laughter. At the 1965 Maccabiah, he had represented Israel and had won a bronze medal in the individual competition. In 1973, he had come to the Games as a South African. Had won a silver medal in the team event and another bronze in the individual.

He and his wife Nanette immigrated to Israel from South Africa in 1962, and their two children were born here, before they went back to South Africa. Looking back to those days, Charlie Mandelstam, the veteran Caesarea Golf Club professional, says with a sigh, "Rex was the best golfer we ever had. What a loss it was to Israeli golf that he left!"

An even more heartfelt tribute comes from Amar Yaish and Mony Alkoby, of Or Akiva, who greet Moss with a respect bordering on reverence. Yaish is representing Israel in this year's Maccabiah, and has proved to be one of the surprises of the tournament so far because of his unexpected success.

Yaish says, "We were both young caddies in the early Sixties. Rex was the most wonderful golfer we had seen. There was nobody to compare to him. We used to quarrel over who would carry his bag for him. We studied his style, his strokes, and tried to emulate him."

"We came to Israel out of idealism," Moss says. "It was just after Sharpeville, and we wanted to get out of South Africa. We were very keen Zionists. But we had no money and no particular academic training. But we heard that there was an aliyah settlement programme for people prepared to go on the land. We loved the idea of building up Israel with our own hands. I was a very keen golfer, but I sold my golf clubs for £100 before I left South Africa."

THEY SETTLED on Moshav Bet Hever, near Lod. Disillusionment came all too quickly. Times were hard because of the recession, and the moshav was badly run. Moss picked cauliflower, planted potatoes, worked in the apple orchards, cultivated cotton, graduated to working as a tractorist. Nanette worked in the laundry. Their first child was born on the moshav. They were desperately unhappy.

He recalls, "Lord Rothschild had brought about the creation of the Caesarea Golf Club, and I could not resist the temptation to go to see what it was like to play again. Prof.



Rex Moss

Elaine Berman, of Hadassah, a first-class golfer, used to fetch me on Friday afternoons to take me to the course."

He and Nanette lasted on the moshav for nine months; then they left to go to the Ben Yehuda Ushan.

"Some of the golfers were El Al captains, like Tom Jones and Danny Rosen," Moss says. "Tom Jones got the idea that I could work for El Al in public relations. Sam Sharrow, from New York, the fairy godfather of Israeli golf, provided me with a complete golfing outfit and clubs, as part of his dream to promote golf in Israel."

Jones spoke to then president of El Al Yitzhak Ben-Artzi, who wanted Moss to promote the air carrier in hotels — getting people to fly El Al. "I trained in the El Al offices in Ben Yehuda Street, learned all about pricing, marketing, getting endorsements," says Moss. "I used to call at the hotels, promoting El Al. Frankly, my golfing connections helped."

"So I was making a living, but we had acute housing problems. We were renting and had to move every year. As I did better and better in the job, and earned more money, we decided to buy our own home. We applied for a loan to the Jewish Agency, but were told that we had waited too long; we could only get IL20,000, while we needed IL40,000."

"The Keren Kayemet agreed to give us ground in Beit Yanaai, provided we could prove that we had money to build. The South African Zionist Federation was prepared to lend me IL20,000, but it wasn't

enough. We now had two children and no permanent home. My brother wrote to me that things were booming in South Africa, so we decided to go back, to make a pile of money, and then return to Israel. When I told the agency man I was going back, he said, "Don't threaten me. Go! I gave up the job, we sold whatever we had, and we booked our passage. Just before we left, we got a message that the Agency had granted us the loan we needed. But it was too late."

BACK in South Africa Moss prospered. He set up a wholesale optical business, which did better and better. In 1973, he came to Israel as a member of the South African golfing team, and found that he still loved the country. Despite his success in business, he and Nanette did not want to remain in South Africa. In 1978, they came to see if he could establish himself in Israel, but he was determined that this time he would do so on a solid base, which would provide an adequate standard of living for his family.

"It just wasn't there," he says sadly. "Israel did not offer me the kind of potential that Australia could provide. I knew that in Australia I could set up the same type of wholesale optical business that I had established in South Africa."

So off to Melbourne he went, and again he has succeeded. The business has done very well. He is a member of the Cranborne Club in Melbourne.

"I suppose that I am much less idealistic, and more materialistic, than I was in the early Sixties," he reflects. "I still believe that, if we had got that loan in time, we would have stayed here and made good. I would love to come back, but frankly, only if I was sure of our standard of living."

"As a new immigrant to Australia, I am very grateful for the support and friendship which I and my family have received there. I'll do my best to win the Maccabiah for Australia. But I must confess that, with regard to Israel, I have a very warm feeling about everything and everybody here. It is a very special relationship, and, if only some events had worked out differently, I would never have left at all."

The sports pages are edited by Philip Gillon and Yaron Kenan.

16-minute photo-finish

NEW YORK (AP). — Sixteen minutes is a "real photo finish" when you've just finished a 5,633-kilometre foot race across the United States, says victor Marvin Skagberg.

Skagberg duelled with Malcolm Campbell of Grantham, England, for 92 days through 39° heat under the desert sun in California, freezing temperatures in Utah, and high altitudes in Colorado. The American reached New York last week, just 16 minutes ahead of Campbell.

Skagberg and Campbell only rested six days during the race — but both said they would be ready to do it again in a few weeks.

"I challenged him to a race across America two years ago and it has taken that long to set it up," said Campbell. "I feel ready for another race. I just want to beat him."

The two ran at a pace of 60kms. per day for the first foot race across the continent since 1929.

The race raised \$500,000 in charity. The money will be used for scientific research into Lou Gehrig's disease.

A spokeswoman for the national ALS foundation, a non-profit organization, said the race succeeded in making people aware of Lou Gehrig's disease — the popular name for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, a degenerative disease of the nerve cells that control muscular movement.

Gehrig became famous as first baseman for the New York Yankees

in the late 1920s and in the 1930s. Stricken by the rare disease, he retired from baseball in 1939 and worked as a parole commissioner in New York City until his death two years later.

"I'm disappointed that Marvin has beaten me. But it was a fair race," said Campbell after the close finish. "It was all above board and we really raced all the way."

The two runners exchanged leads 11 times during the race but after Skagberg passed Campbell in Princeton, New Jersey, with three days left, he never looked back.

They have been friendly rivals in long distance running for the past three years. Skagberg beat Campbell in a six-day race in 1982, and Campbell has been plotting revenge ever since.

Speaka la sport?

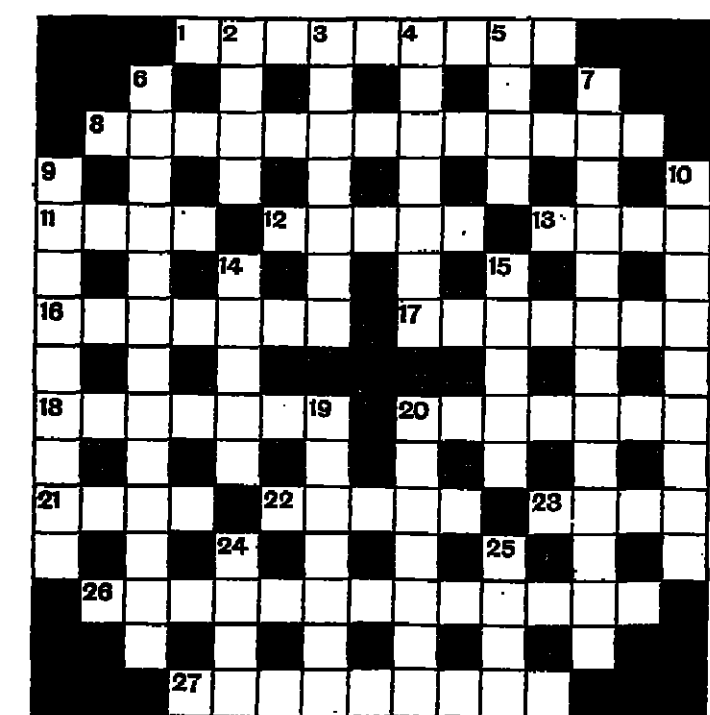
By JUDY SIEGEL
A soft-cover dictionary of sports terms in English, Spanish, French and Hebrew has been published by the World Zionist Organization to help participants in the Maccabiah.

The 96-page booklet, edited by Tzvia Korsch for the Department of Education and Culture in the Diaspora, includes technical terms in the various languages for a wide variety of sports, from athletics and badminton to weight-lifting and wrestling.



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Fear of bogeys

THE chief rabbis too, who probably never even heard of the Mormons until recently, have now given their imprimatur to the campaign mounted by Orthodox politicians to prevent Utah's Brigham Young University from completing construction of its university centre on Mt. Scopus.

For 16 years Brigham Young has been sending students for six-month study courses in Israel. It has in these years also sent many adult groups for shorter periods, combining study and travel in the Holy Land. Throughout these years there have been no complaints about Mormon missionizing in Israel.

Nor were there any complaints last year when the building plan for the university centre - having finally emerged from the bureaucratic labyrinth - was published in the newspapers as required by the law, which also provides 60 days for objectors to come forward.

Suddenly, this year, the witch hunters have made the Mormons their bogey. And, ironically, they have Christian allies. The Mormons, the only indigenous American church, have long been persecuted and reviled by other Christian churches for their "heresy." Representatives of some of these churches in Israel have jumped on the anti-Mormon bandwagon. Not eschewing missionizing in Israel themselves, they have simply imported a theological conflict that does not belong here.

But that is the least of the oddities of the anti-Mormon campaign.

What is most odd is that Jerusalem's Orthodox rabbinic and political establishment should show so much fear. Never has that establishment been stronger than today. Never has Orthodoxy been more assertive and self-confident. And yet this Mormon university facility suddenly looms before them as a vast spiritual threat.

For whom do they fear? Are they afraid that Orthodox people would become Mormons? Or that secular Jews, generally turned off by all religious institutions, would do so. If that is the case, then these Orthodox activists have little confidence indeed in the force of their own Jewish values and traditions. Rather what they betray is a psychology bred in the Galut of fearing the Cossacks, in this case theological Cossacks, that is totally out of place in the Jewish homeland.

That Brigham Young and Mormon church officials have given written undertakings against any form of missionary activity in Israel apparently does not move them. Nor does the 16-year record of Brigham Young University's programme for its students here. Nor does the fact that the university centre is designed to service visiting Brigham Young students and not Israeli students.

It is a measure of the present condition of Israeli society that this kind of religious paranoia, like the political paranoia enunciated by Kach, should strike such chords in the country. For paranoia and the fear of bogeys always has more to do with perceptions than with facts.

For just as Kach has stirred up irrational anxieties about an internal Arab threat at a time when Israel has never been stronger, so the religious establishment, going from strength to strength, would stir up groundless fears about missionary activity.

Politically, paranoia is often a convenient horse to ride. Our own history as a people has enough evidence of how fear of the Jew could be whipped up to suit political purposes.

That the prime target should be the Mormons - a relatively small religious group in the roster of organized churches - is ironic indeed. Persecuted and exiled in their own history, driven to their own promised land in Utah, the Mormons have developed a special sympathy for the Jewish People in their own Land.

They also have a special rectitude. When they undertake to abide by the law of the land and eschew missionizing, they, perhaps more than others, can be counted on to uphold their commitment.

That may not make a dent in the minds of our anti-mission zealots, but the irrational directions in which this zealotry is taking the nation, should give pause to everyone else.

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by the UN and by the various Unifil troop-contributing countries, Vayrynen said, adding that decisions about the future will depend on developments in the area.

He recalled that when Finland had decided to contribute military contingents to Unifil at the request of the UN secretary-general, the Finnish government had been aware of the difficult conditions in the area.

Vayrynen stressed that Finland had contributed troops to all UN peace-keeping operations in the Middle East since 1956, in line with Helsinki's continued support of the UN in maintaining international peace and security.

Now that Israel has practically withdrawn from Lebanon, what solution would he like to see in South Lebanon that would ensure Israel's security and what role could Unifil, the Shi'ite Amal militia and the SLA fulfil?

Vayrynen believes it would be in Israel's interest to give Unifil appropriate conditions for fulfilling its task. His government is understood to hold that Israel's security would be best served by allowing Unifil's deployment all the way to the international border between Israel and Lebanon.

Barring an overall settlement of the Middle East conflict that would include Lebanon, Vayrynen reiterated Lebanon's view that restoration of Lebanon's stability requires the withdrawal of all foreign forces, the cessation of local hostilities and the respect of its sovereignty, territorial integrity, unity and political independence.

He holds that the sole and exclusive authority of the government of Lebanon should be restored throughout the country and that the rights of the civilian population should not be violated under any circumstances.

Recalling General Ensio Silasvuo's constructive role in the imple-

mentation of the 1974 disengagement arrangements in Sinai and on the Golan Heights, Vayrynen said that Finland has every reason to be proud of the general's achievements.

As to the question whether he visualizes a similar role for a senior Finnish general in south Lebanon, Vayrynen said he believes that in peace-keeping operations the issue of nationalities is secondary.

He is confident, at the same time, that should the need arise Finland is in a position to provide capable men for peace-keeping tasks. He recalled in this connection that the new commander of Undof on the Golan Heights is Finnish General Gustaf Haggind.

As to prospects for reviving the peace process in the Middle East, Vayrynen believes that the understanding between Jordan and the PLO may have a constructive impact. But, he cautions, "The peace process cannot progress if the parties concerned are not willing to negotiate with each other."

"The Palestinians are one of these parties," he stated. "In our view the PLO must have a right to participate in negotiations on a comprehensive solution to the Middle East problem."

"Flexibility is called for by all the parties," Vayrynen counselled, adding "It is of particular importance to the Middle East peace process that states in the region, as well as the leading great powers, lend their support to it."

Asked whether he believes there is a better chance to revive the peace process with Israel's present government under Prime Minister Shimon Peres, the acting Finnish prime minister made a point not to be drawn into internal political differences in Israel.

He said only that "a government in which the main political parties are represented has better possibilities to reach decisions both on internal and external policy questions, than a narrow-based government."

"BEHOLD the days are coming when I will send a hunger upon the land, not a hunger for bread and not a thirst for water, but for hearing the word of the Lord... They shall search for the word of the Lord and shall not find it." Amos 8:11-12.

Have we reached that time described by the prophet? So it would seem by the pronouncements made by our religious leaders. Anyone seeking the word of the Lord in our days not only will develop a thirst, but a distaste for what is offered as authentic Tora.

Many reacted in shock when Interior Minister Rabbi Yitzhak Peretz explained the bus-train accident as God's way of warning us about desecration of the Sabbath. Whatever happened to "Shall not the Lord of all the earth do justice?" Whatever happened to the rabbinic saying, "We do not have it in our power to explain the suffering of the righteous." (Ethics of the Fathers 4:19)? Whatever happened to sympathy for suffering parents?

UNFORTUNATELY, this is not an isolated instance of such un-Jewish teaching masquerading as Tora. Immediately thereafter former Sephardic chief rabbi Ovadia Yosef disagreed with Peretz, stating that lack

of Tora learning was the real reason for the train accident. Not long ago another leader taught us that loose morals of women soldiers caused casualties in the Lebanese war. Prior to that we were told that improper *mezuzot* caused the terror slaying of children at Ma'alot. My son told me that his teacher in a religious school had taught that the six million died because they were the world's worst sinners. Religious leaders have also defended the Jewish terrorists who killed and maimed innocent Arabs. Rabbi Meir Kahane uses religion to justify racism and hatred.

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Fundamental errors

By REUVEN HAMMER

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to create a modern Jewish state, these statements in the name of religion would seem to provide it. OF COURSE, the truth is that they were not right, at least not in the long run. On the contrary, the lack of knowledge and understanding of Judaism is one of the main causes that characterizes so much of Israeli life today. The lack of ethical conduct, the violence, the absence of respect for varying opinions, the crass materialism are all part of the secularism that has come to characterize our lives. Yet, the simplistic answers that the so-called religious leaders give, the calls for a mindless return to religion, the extreme nationalism that has come to characterize Zionist religious thinking, and the emphasis on rituals over morals can only repel sensitive people who want to find an alternative to secularism.

But an alternative does exist. There are intelligent leaders, thinkers and rabbis within all branches of

Judaism, and of course there are men and women of intelligence and integrity who identify themselves as Orthodox Jews. But they are not in positions of influence. If they are guilty of anything, it is of silence. Let them speak up. How can they be silent when the honour of human beings, of Tora and of God are being desecrated daily by those who would speak and teach in the name of Tora?

For ever there was a "time to do God's work because the Tora has been desecrated," this is it. There is a thirst for God's word, but those who say they teach it all too often distort it. It is time for those who are capable of showing Judaism for what it truly is to come forward and try to lead the people back to the real and variegated Jewish tradition, best characterized in the words of Jeremiah:

"Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, nor the mighty man in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches. But let him who would glory do so in this, that he knows and understands me, that I the Lord work graciousness, justice and righteousness in the land, for these do I desire" (Jer. 9:22-23).

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Value of neutrality

By DAN SEGRE

Israeli proxies for exclusive influence in the area, Washington and Moscow seem to agree with Count de Gobieneau that "oriental meat is delicious - but poisonous."

Finally, looking at Palestine in the context of imperial power evolution, one is struck by the recurrence of Jewish political independence (the conquest of the Land of Canaan, the periods of the first and second Temple) coinciding with the waning of imperial power (local or imported) in the region - Egyptian, Assyrian, Hellenic and Ottoman.

The State of Israel, like its predecessors, emerged in the wake of the crumbling of an empire (the British). Will Israel, too disappear as soon as the Middle East is brought again under imperial rule or rules? Will the Middle East conflicts (Israel v. Arabs, Syria v. Egypt, Egypt v. Iraq, etc.) reproduce the passionate and disastrous pattern of wars in the Balkans and Eastern Europe? Judging from the present situation, one is tempted to understand the predicament in Kissinger's words, that states learn historical lessons only when the lessons have become obsolete.

CONSIDER, however, that the Israeli-Palestinian conflict has interlocked the fates of two peoples possessing strong national identities but in quite different ways estranged from their respective Jewish and Arab environment.

Consider the extraordinary openness to innovation which both Israelis and Palestinians have developed as "diaspora nations." In this perspective one is tempted to think (or dream) of the possibility of turning their energy from destruction to construction.

One such possibility could be neutrality.

Neutrality is the opposite of neutralism (the policy of blackmail of the two superpowers by weak but strategically well-placed states) and of neutralization (a euphemism for political obliteration). Neutrality is a political situation which requires, in international law, the sincere will of the neutral state to be neutral; its effective ability to defend its neutrality (which is why Luxembourg cannot be neutral); and the recognition of such neutrality by other states.

From the point of view of Jewish tradition, neutrality has been the

only permanent (and usually unheeded) political call of the prophets. It was a concept close to the idea of non-alignment that Moshe Sharett defended in 1948 at the UN as the basic principle of Israel's foreign policy. Internally, through a system of appropriate canonization of territory on both sides of the Green Line, neutrality could offer a practical solution to a "too much promised Land": externally it could facilitate the granting of guarantees and legitimation by the members of that "international umbrella" without which Israelis, Palestinians and Jordanians cannot feel secure.

NEUTRALITY cannot be created even by the shrewdest diplomats since it is the result of a long process of psychological, political and economic development, eventually crowned by diplomatic agreements.

But since any journey starts with the first step, such a step could be taken in the wake of the tragic results of the war in Lebanon for both Israel and the Palestinians. It requires less courage than imagination. Confidence could be drawn from other

historical precedents, particularly from that of Switzerland.

In the 15th century the Swiss were a belligerent people divided by language and by parochial conflicts and feudal rivalries. Militancy and poverty turned them into the most specialized mercenaries in divided Europe. Then, at the Battle of Marignano in 1515, they suffered a crushing defeat by the French (as another warring nation, the Swedes, did at the hands of the Russians at Poltava in 1709). These two battles became the turning points in the histories of these two nations and in their political mentality, slowly transforming the warring Swiss cantons into a neutral confederacy of three language groups. Two Christian religions, while the Swedish fighting aristocracy turned into a pacified democracy. Both Switzerland and Sweden thus created islands of progress and civility in the midst of a Europe that had been obsessed for centuries by religious, ideological and economic rifts much greater than those dividing the contemporary Middle East.

Given the apparent inability of all parties to convince the others of their genuine desire for peace, why not begin to think in terms of a unilateral declaration by Israel of a willingness to become neutral. This could be a move towards overcoming at least some of the psychological obstacles on the road to peace.

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READERS' LETTERS

LIKUD HERITAGE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - The planned "total shutdown" of the Israeli economy strikes me as absolutely irresponsible and anarchic.

I should like to assume that Kessar and his colleagues at the Histadrut are well aware of the present catastrophic state of the economy and, hence, of society - a situation which, it seems, can be remedied only by the government's austerity programme. A democratic society certainly requires the possibility of a rational and measured protest against unpopular governmental decisions. However, the Histadrut's call for a total paralysation of the country's vital economic sectors cannot be defined as democratic means in the "struggles of the working class" to safeguard its class interests. These strikes will hurt each and every individual far more in the end than the economic programme, and they will cost the country far more - not only in real terms, but also in the erosion of a truly democratic spirit and of public morale in our society.

As an employee in the public sector, I belong to one of the groups heavily affected by the austerity programme, but I also see the urgent need for economic recovery and stabilisation, as well as for the restoration of an ethically healthier, more tolerant society. The Likud heritage is a heavy burden indeed.

MIRYAM NAFTALI
Jerusalem.

KACH AND GUSH EMUNIM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - According to Susan Hattis Rolf ("A challenge for moderates," June 30), the basic difference between Gush Emunim and Kach is that Gush Emunim supposedly "believe(s) in Jewish-Arab coexistence" while Kach is "openly racist and discriminatory in (its) attitude" towards the Arabs.

There is, in fact, far less difference between Gush Emunim and Kach than is generally assumed. No Gush Emunim member would want Arabs living in his apartment building. No Gush Emunim member would want his daughter to socialize with Arabs. No Gush Emunim member wants the Arabs to have full democratic rights, since that would include the right to peacefully attain demographic superiority in Israel. No Gush

Emunim member would be displeased if the government launched a programme to encourage mass Arab emigration from Israel. All of these are attitudes which fit the Israeli media's definition of "racist." The Gush Emunim leaders do not really believe in the myth of "Arab-Jewish coexistence." They are simply not as honest as Kach in expressing their views. Among the Gush rank-and-file, however, there is a growing tendency to reject the old establishment leaders and turn towards Kach; the fact that Kach captured 24 per cent of the votes in last month's Kiryat Arba municipal elections clearly demonstrates this trend.

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ABBA EBAN AND ELI WISEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - In his column of June 28 published when I was abroad, Mark Segal quotes an apocryphal remark ascribing to me a derogatory remark about Eli Wiesel.

I have never spoken or written or thought about Eli Wiesel in this way. I hold him in honour and respect, and reports in a contrary sense should be disregarded.

My only recent contacts with Eli

Wiesel have been (a) a TV film about World War II in which we appeared together and (b) an exchange of letters in which I expressed my admiration of his dignified reply to President Reagan.

I am confident that Mr. Segal heard this report from someone, but I am sure that he will be as glad as I am to know that it is not authentic.

ABBA EBAN
Jerusalem.

CHEATING AT EXAMS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - I was absolutely flabbergasted by a children's programme on Israel TV on June 26 at about 6 p.m. A group of schoolchildren demonstrated various ways of cheating at examinations. The way the show was put across left one in no doubt at all that the "in" thing was to cheat as much as possible.

Cheating is no different to steal-

ing. Are the children not in fact stealing information they don't have? To condone such action in young people at their most impressionable age is like saying there is nothing wrong in doing wrong, especially if you are not caught.

Don't jeopardize the morals of tomorrow's adults with programmes like this.

YVONNE KAYE
Ra'anana.

LOOSE TONGUES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - I am appalled at public statements by ministers and others regarding the possible effect of budget cuts on our military efficiency. I am shocked when I read that our stockpiles of military supplies have sunk to a dangerously low level. I am horrified when I read, excerpts from the Comptroller's report that training in one sector or another has been inadequate.

Who benefits from all this publicity? Certainly not the defence establishment itself: certainly not the Israeli public. But this information must, without any doubt, give encouragement and comfort to our

enemies. If they are given reason to believe that our defences are becoming weaker, if they are told, officially, by Israel herself, that lack of money and inadequate training may make us more vulnerable; if they are led to believe that our morale is not as high as it was, they will certainly be encouraged.

All such military information should be classified. Tell the world, if we must, that we have built or acquired new and better defence systems, but never, at any time, even whisper that we are not as strong as we were.

A. LEVINE
Tel Aviv.

SURPLUS EGGS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - As a new immigrant from France, I was very disturbed by the pictures of the destruction of millions of surplus eggs. How is it that we who live in the Holy Land of Israel are unable to prevent the destruction of foodstuffs?

With an effort, I can understand that even our experts, the planners, helped by their computers, were unable to prevent this overproduction. But the destruction of the eggs, in a land supposed to be a light unto the nations is beyond my comprehension.

The eggs cannot be exported as such. But in powder form, they could readily be sent to help feed the hungry millions of the Third World. And the reduced cost of transporting the eggs in their powdered form would help to defray the costs of setting up a plant for its production. If this is still too expensive, then why can the eggs not be used as animal feed or even as fertilizer? Anything is better than destroying them.

ARMAND REIN
Petah Tikva.

POOR PR

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - Perhaps the most disheartening aspect of the hostage crisis as it affected Israel's image in America was the feeble attempt by Israel's leaders to "explain" its position vis-a-vis that of the United States. To have to listen to Shimon Peres, or Shamir, or Rabin, or Moshe Arens speaking through clenched teeth, was torture. No matter who spoke, the expressions were the same, sombre, dour, similar to those of representatives of a mortuary. All spoke in a monotone. It was all the more sad because the Israeli position had merit. Why was it impossible for the government to employ the ser-

VICES of Abba Eban, who is so admired over here? Why not Ezer Weizman? Why doesn't someone in the government employ the services of a PR man? Or if they have one, why don't they fire him?

Nor were Israel's representatives over here any better. With a couple of exceptions, they spoke in heavily accented English that could not be persuasive.

Is there no one in Israel that can speak English in a way that causes one to examine the message rather than the messenger?

IRVING SHECTMAN
West Palm Beach, Florida.

JEWISH PUBLISHING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - Your article on "Jewish Publishing" by Ruth Frank and William Wollheim was most interesting and encouraging. I was disappointed, however, that the role of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in this field was completely ignored.

The CCAR, which is the rabbinic wing of the Reform Movement in America, is the largest and oldest publisher of liturgy in the world. In the last decade there has been an effectiveness of liturgical publication which includes more than 1 million copies sold of the *Gates of Prayer* and *Gates of Repentance*, the two major prayer books for the Movement; 500,000 copies of a Pesach Haggada; 100,000 copies of *Gates of Mitzvah* and *Gates of the Seasons*, the two books of mitzvot for the Reform Jew. In addition, there are many other books, such as

Reform Responsa, *Reform Authority*, *Five Megillot*, *Confirmation*, *Conversion*, and more. There is no comparable American Jewish press in breadth and scope in this field.

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BENNY HILL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - I agree with Michael Alge (June 20) that Benny Hill is a brilliant comic, but I also agree with Philip Gillon (June 7) that the material used is "vulgar, raucous, offensive, obvious and unimaginative," and may I add my own adjective, smutty. A truly great comedian does not have to rely on smut to raise a laugh.

NOMI KALISCH
Netanya.

INDIFFERENCE TO WOMEN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - You reported on June 28 that Nitza Shapira-Libai had been replaced by M.K. Sara Doron as head of the Israeli delegation to the U.N. conference on the status of women in Nairobi. It is unfortunate that a prominent supporter of women's rights like Ms. Shapira-Libai was so blatantly supplanted for political considerations.

Certainly a person like Ms. Shapira-Libai, a lawyer with extensive experience as adviser to the prime minister on the status of women, would reflect a great deal of credit on the State of Israel and have much more to contribute to a conference of this sort. This appointment is just another example of the government's indifference towards women in general.

JUDY HANANIA
SUSAN AHYED
Netanya.

TRAVEL TAX EXEMPTION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - In a recent article entitled, "Citizens are keeping passports at the ready," Aaron Sittner wrote that "an Israeli walks into one of our consulates abroad, declares himself to be a *muhager* (emigrant) and gives a non-Israeli address as his permanent one, he is not subject to paying the travel tax when leaving Israel after his visits."

I went to the Israeli consulate here in Vienna and asked for verification of this information. The consul could not find confirmation of this and advised me to ask you.

KURT MECHNER
Vienna.

Aaron Sittner comments: For some reason, the words "his children up to the age of 18 are not subject to paying..." were omitted, giving the erroneous impression that the (adult) emigrant himself is not required to pay the travel tax.

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